



# LATE TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

## BLOCKADE OF VENEZUELAN PORTS IS MADE EFFECTIVE

(By Associated Press Exclusively to the Gazette in Colorado Springs.)  
Caracas, Dec. 20.—A notification that the blockade of Venezuelan ports by the allied powers would be made effective today, was transmitted to the Venezuelan government this morning by the British consul at La Guayra. The announcement was not unexpected and caused a commercial panic. The rate of exchange jumped five points.

The people here are still in ignorance of the answer of the allied governments to the proposal to arbitrate the Venezuelan differences. The government has knowledge of the answer through the United States legation, but it is puzzled by the wording and cannot understand why, if Germany and Great Britain have accepted the arbitration proposal, the blockade should be made effective the same day their acceptance is announced.

The French charge d'affaires, M. Quivereux, this morning delivered to the Venezuelan government a request that in the event of a settlement of the claims of other powers being made, France be accorded equally favorable treatment.

Madame von Pilgrim-Baltazzi, the wife of the German charge d'affaires, left for La Guayra today to rejoin her husband. She is still an invalid and had to be transported on a bed from the German legation to the railway station. Minister Bowen and the staff of the legation escorted her to the train. The government officials have shown Madame von Pilgrim-Baltazzi great courtesies.

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La Guayra, Dec. 20.—The Trinidad schooners, Mercedes and Inmaculada, belonging to a French subject, but flying the Venezuelan flag, entered the port today and were seized by the British crew. The captain, A. C. Morrison, said he had explained to his commander that no notification of the blockade had been given before the schooners cleared, and asserted that the cargo belonged to foreign subjects. The commander of the Tribune refused to release the Mercedes and Inmaculada, saying that he was obeying orders. The commander of the Tribune today sent to the British consul for publication the official announcement of the blockade, dating from today. According to the notification, the ports of La Guayra, Carenco, Guanta, and the Orinoco, are placed under the supervision of the British naval forces.

The British cruiser Retribution left today at noon.

The German charge d'affaires, Herr von Pilgrim-Baltazzi, spent two hours on shore here today. He was recognized, but was not molested.

### POWERS ASK PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TO ARBITRATE.

Washington, Dec. 20.—President Roosevelt has proposed to the allied powers that the Venezuelan dispute be submitted to the arbitration of The Hague tribunal. The powers have replied with a counter proposal that President Roosevelt himself arbitrate the issues.

These were the developments over night in the Venezuelan matter and they seem to justify the prediction made in these despatches that the critical point has been passed. President Roosevelt does not wish to act as arbitrator in this dispute, for as a fact he has been here to be at once judge, jury and constable and would be under the moral obligation to execute his own judgment. The president feels that a reference to The Hague tribunal would vastly strengthen the cause of arbitration.

Still, rather than see the present dispute proceed to extremes, it is probable that the president will reluctantly assume the duties of arbitrator. It is fully realized that any decision rendered by him in that capacity will be sure to bring to him the enmity of one or other of the European powers. The controversy and this was pointed out to the president early in the week by a leading senator who had been called into the consultation. Nevertheless to prevent bloodshed and the destruction of property and interference with the great commercial interests that would result in loss, it is believed that the president would assume the charge, providing his own view cannot prevail.

An important fact developed today is that the punitive measure about to be instituted and to go into force in some days will not be suspended by the allies until a definite agreement is reached as to arbitration.

Venezuela has also been told through Minister Bowen that the president would welcome a reference of the dispute to The Hague tribunal. While no direct reply has been received, it is not doubted that the reply would be favorable if the other parties consented to such reference.

An agreement is reached on arbitration the procedure would be for Mr. Bowen, representing Venezuela, as a plenipotentiary to sign with the representatives of the allies a protocol stipulating that the case is to be submitted to arbitration; that Venezuela admits the right of diplomatic intervention in behalf of a claimant and that the details of the arbitration shall be arranged in a formal treaty which she pledges herself to sign. This treaty will provide in the greatest detail for the security of foreign interests against vexatious and extortionate interference on the part of the Venezuelan government hereafter and will give the administration of exact justice in the settlement of claims and especially will it relieve foreign residents of Venezuela from forced loans and persecution in time of revolutions.

The status of the arbitration negotiations at the close of the official day was disclosed at the state department was that the powers were waiting for an answer from the president on their proposal that he himself undertake to arbitrate the difficulty. The president can only be guessed at for the officials did not express my opinion of this. However, it is believed to be a safe prediction that he will renew his suggestion that the case be submitted to The Hague tribunal, adding to the argument he has already produced the fact that the United States, having claims of its own against Venezuela in the amount of about \$100,000, is a party in interest, and it would be unfair to put the president in the position of having to arbitrate his own claim.

For their part the powers bring against The Hague proposition the argument that President Castro would be bound by any decision by that tribunal, but would be certain to heed a judgment rendered by President Roosevelt.

It is said at the state department that no matter how these two propositions are disposed of, there will be no backward step and that an agreement of some kind which will bring about a peaceful settlement of the Venezuelan trouble will result from the present negotiations. Of course if President Roosevelt should accept the request, which it is understood that the actual burden of arbitrating the claim would not be undertaken by him personally, but probably would be, as is customary in such cases, confined to one of the efficient and trained secretaries of the department.

At the German embassy tonight denial emphatic and authoritative was given to the various reports in circulation that Germany is anxious to require Margarita Island and will work to this end in any settlement that may be agreed upon. German, it was said, has never for an instant had designs on Margarita Island or any other Venezuelan territory. Her effort throughout has been merely to obtain satisfaction for the claims pending against the Caracas government and for indignities committed against German citizens.

This position was made plain to the state department by the German ambassador, Mr. Von Holleben, last year, and the Washington authorities accepted them and accepted the good faith of the assurance made by the Berlin government that no encroachment on the Monroe doctrine was intended or

### WHAYNE'S DEATH DECLARED TO HAVE BEEN ACCIDENTAL

By Associated Press.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 20.—The coroner's jury which spent a full day investigating the death of R. C. Whayne, a prominent business man who was found last Wednesday night in the vicinity of Jacob Park with a gunshot wound in the breast, returned a verdict of accidental death. Intense interest was manifested in the case as Mr. Whayne carried life insurance policies aggregating \$300,000 and had applied for \$50,000 more. Among the policies carried by Mr. Whayne were the following: Equitable Life Assurance society of New York, \$200,000; Provident Savings Life Assurance society of New York, \$120,000; Union Central Life Insurance company, \$5,000; Northwestern Mutual Life, \$5,000.

Mr. Whayne had applied for a policy of \$25,000 with the Manhattan company and the policy was to issue December 22. His application had been made to the Mutual of Vermont for an equal amount and this policy was to be issued December 21.

It was upon the fact that Mr. Whayne carried such a large life insurance and was said to be suffering from rheumatism that a theory of suicide was based.

Now Mr. Whayne's body when found but on the opposite side of a wire fence was a shotgun with one barrel empty and the other loaded and cocked. His friends and family declared that death was due to an accident and that the gun discharged while the fence was climbing through the fence. The evidence offered at today's inquest supported the theory of accident, although there being no features which pointed to suicide.

It is not known what steps the insurance companies will take. Several New York detectives are here. A part of the \$300,000 insurance is uncontested.

### TEN PRISONERS WERE KILLED IN WRECK IN CALIFORNIA

By Associated Press.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—"The Owl," train which left here at 4 p. m. for Los Angeles was run into tangent near Hyatt Hot Springs, 70 miles from this city, by the Stockton local train. Ten or more people were killed and about 30 more or less seriously injured. The killed and injured were riding in the rear car, which was filled with passengers for Fresno. Owing to the remoteness of the point where the disaster occurred the details are meager. The killed are still lying under the wrecks of engine and cars. Their bodies have not yet been ascertained.

Twenty-seven injured have been removed to the Byron Springs hotel. Relief trains are hastening to the wreck. The Stockton local left this city about a half hour behind the "Owl." Both trains were well filled.

A report at midnight states that 10 persons were killed. Of these one has been identified as Clarence Oluff of Fresno. The unidentified include three women, one man, one Japanese boy, one Japanese man, two Chinese and one laborer.

The "Owl" train stopped about a mile west of Byron on account of the

engine breaking down. A brakeman was sent about a mile down the track to flag the Stockton local, which was following and which left Oakland mole half an hour after the disabled train. The engineer of the following train answered the signals of the flagman, but for some reason not yet known he rushed his train along, uttering disregarding the danger signals and crashed into the rear car of the disabled train.

### APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE GOVERNOR ELECT.

Denver, Dec. 20.—Governor-elect Peabody today distributed a number of Christmas gifts in the form of announcements of forthcoming appointments to office under his administration. These seasonable gifts were as follows:

State dairy commissioner, Mrs. Mary Wright, Denver.  
Game and fish commissioner, J. M. Woodard Pueblo.  
Warden of reformatory, A. C. Dutcher, El Paso.  
Warden penitentiary, John Cleghorn, Rio Grande.  
Commissioner of mines, E. L. White, Teller.  
Boiler inspector, Charles Taylor.  
Surgeon general, National guard, Peter Hanford, El Paso.

It is understood that William Busch, one of the present deputies in the game and fish commission's office, will be retained.

Three sizes: 25c, 50c, \$1. All drugs.

Consult your doctor. If he says take it, then don't take it. He knows. Leave it with him. We are willing. J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

I have kept Ayer's Cherry Pectoral in my house for a great many years. It is the best medicine in the world for coughs and colds.

J. C. Williams, Attica, N. Y.

All serious lung troubles begin with a tickling in the throat. You can stop this at first in a single night with Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Use it also for bronchitis, consumption, hard colds, and for coughs of all kinds.

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sire to return immediately to France for trial. She seemed annoyed when told that the trial was likely to be delayed and said that she and the other members of the family had made up their minds to disclose the truth and to confound the authors of their misfortunes.

M. Humbert and Romain D'Aurignac are confined in a separate room. They also say that they desire to return to France and assert that their only object in taking flight was to escape imprisonment during the preliminary investigation of the affair. They said they intended to return eventually for trial.

THE REQUEST TO ROOSEVELT EMANATED FROM GERMANY

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 20.—The body of Mrs. Grant lies tonight in the great red granite sarcophagus beside that in which the remains of her husband rest.

On the arrival of the funeral train at Jersey City, the casket, piled high with flowers, was borne by the shudders of six men on board the general passenger department's steamer, the General Meigs, detachment of U. S. Grant post, G. A. R., and the committee of the Grant Memorial association, which accompanied the funeral party from Washington, acting as escort. The body was placed in a bier on the forward deck of the Meigs, which started immediately up the river, bound for the tomb. The members of the funeral party proceeded direct to the Fifth Avenue hotel.

On reaching the landing place, the casket was transferred to a hearse and taken to the tomb, the route being lined by double ranks of police. The body was placed in the sarcophagus without any ceremony, in the presence of U. S. Grant, Jr., the members of the escort and a little group of officials, and the massive lid, which weighs about five tons, was quickly lowered and sealed in place.

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The children of Mrs. Grant, who will reach New York this morning and attend the ceremonies in that city tomorrow. The members of the family and relatives who attended the service were Mrs. Sartoris, General and Mrs. Fred Grant, Mrs. Sartoris, Commander Sharp, Grant Smith, Midshipman Jester Sharp, Mrs. Scoville, Miss Julia Grant, Lieutenant D. Sharp, Mrs. James F. Casey, Miss Casey, Mr. and Mrs. James Casey, Mr. Jules Casey, Miss Annie Dent, Mr. and Mrs. Garrish Smith, Mr. Grant Smith and Lieutenant Moray.

Those who accompanied the remains to New York on the private car "Concord," which was attached to the regular train and immediately back of the baggage car in which the casket was placed, were seated. Secretaries Moody and Hitchcock, Postmaster General Payne and Secretary Cortelyou. The next was the family pew, draped with the national emblem and occupied by the immediate family, and on the extreme left, Mrs. T. W. Blight, U. S. A.

Dr. Frank McMichael, pastor of the church, officiated and opened the ceremony by reading from the scriptures as he walked down the aisle, followed by the honorary pall bearers consisting of senators, the speaker of the house, and others. The pall bearers were seated just back of the striking family. The casket was covered and the pall was banked with floral tributes which sang "Lead, Kindly Light," after which Dr. Bristol offered prayer. Following this the choir sang "Near us My God, to Thee," and the service was closed. The family were then driven to the Pennsylvania depot and left on the 9 o'clock train for New York.

During the entire service the chimes closed and lent an impressive solemnity to the occasion. The different bells in the cathedral, named after prominent people who were buried there, including those placed in the church tower. One of the bells, the first tolled this morning, is engraved with the name of Mrs. Julia Dent Grant, who assisted in securing the chimes during the pastorate of the late Bishop Newman at the Metropolitan church.

THE UNION PACIFIC PENSIONS.

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The official day closed without further developments here respecting the Venezuelan complications. The status of the arbitration proposition on which every one waits, was that, with a willingness to accept such a solution in principle, not one of the allies was ready to submit unreservedly to arbitration; in each case there were reservations and conditions insisted upon. Respecting the method of arbitration it should come to that of form of adjustment, it is noted that the feeling is growing that The Hague tribunal should undertake the case.

Mr. Bowen, it is reported, wishes to come to Washington in order to personally effect an adjustment with the resident ambassadors of the allies, but while the state department makes no statement upon the point, it is believed that it does not regard this plan with favor.

It is pointed out here, in connection with the project to refer the matter to The Hague tribunal that in some cases the disputants will not admit of arbitration, but in others, it is pointed out at the state department, that the claimants are divisible and that if President Castro chooses to render the necessary apologies, the remaining claimants will be examined. Treatment with the interested parties will facilitate, hasten or end in the satisfaction of said obligations. The Venezuelan government only awaits such time when the work of pacification, in which it is earnestly engaged, shall permit it to issue an order re-establishing public credit. The claims arising out of the present war which still devestates the republic, will be adjusted with all justice under the laws to be passed to cover the requirements.

"Upon the arrival of my command, I refer from replying to that part of your note which relates to joint action on the part of Germany and the United Kingdom. A power like Venezuela which is in need of no stimulus to prompt it to fulfill its legal obligations to its utmost ability can never expect in its intercourse with other cultured nations, any course of action which shall not conform to the principles of mutual respect and the rules of reciprocal cordiality."

By Associated Press.

London, Dec. 20.—In a dispatch from Berlin the correspondent of the Times again points out the unreasonableness of the suspicion that Germany has any idea of acquiring territory in South America. The correspondent says it might be pointed out that Great Britain would, in any event, have adopted measures during the present winter to secure satisfaction from Venezuela and that Germany although she also had the same intention only suggested joint action after becoming aware of the intended British operations.

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Washington, Dec. 19.—The partial list of those who will be pensioned by the Union Pacific railroad after January 1, was made public today. The list which is still incomplete includes many men prominent in the passenger department, auditing and mechanical departments, who have served the company more than 20 years. In the passenger department several district and traveling passenger agents located in various parts of the country are mentioned for the service. The auditing department also comes in for several changes, and the shops over the system will lose many of the old employees. At the headquarters in this city it is said that there will be a sweeping reduction although the list will not be made public for some time.

THIRTY WITNESSES TO ORGANIZATIONS IN STRIKE.

By Associated Press.

Caracas, Dec. 19.—The correspondent of the Associated Press has obtained a copy of the answer made by the Venezuelan government to the German note addressed to Lopez Baralt, Venezuelan minister of foreign affairs, by Herr von Pilgrim-Baltazzi. It is dated Caracas, December 12. This answer was transmitted by the foreign office to Herr von Pilgrim-Baltazzi on December 12, the 8th inst, being a feast day. It was signed by Lopez Baralt and is as follows:

"Caracas, Dec. 9, 1902.  
Hon. Pilgrim-Baltazzi.

"Sir.—On the afternoon of the 7th instant, a feast day, an employee of the German legation called at my private residence for the purpose of delivering a note from you of date. I accepted the note under such circumstances:

"I think it necessary, before stating the purposes and desires of the federal executive, to refer to certain points in the first portion of your note which are subject to ratification in order to reconcile the essential object of the note with the circumstances of the case.

"The argument which the Venezuela government recited in its communication of May 4, in which exception was taken to all the doctrines set forth in

the preceding correspondence issued in the said note is the only argument of the Venezuelan government against diplomatic interference in matters of a certain nature within this note. As in the memorandum of March, 1901, this argument is based upon the highest principles

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## DENVER

### PERMANENT COLORADO BUILDING AT ST. LOUIS.

Denver, Dec. 20.—Captain Thatcher of the World's fair board received the following telegram today: "Ground and building committee has received draft of ordinance prepared by mayor to cover location of permanent buildings in Forest park and reports no objection on the part of the committee." David L. Smith.

For some time negotiations have been pending with the city of St. Louis for the erection of a permanent building upon the Colorado site. The Colorado commissioners hold that if a permanent building was erected the city of St. Louis would keep it in repair. The ordinance as prepared by the mayor includes provision in it and the intent that there is no objection indicates that such a building will be erected with the understanding that it be kept in the repair by that city.

The World's fair board held a short session today during which routine business was transacted, and adjourned until Saturday of next week. The magnitude of the St. Louis exposition will be much greater than the most of the people imagine. The following statement as prepared by those in charge of the exposition will give some idea as to what it will be.

The St. Louis World's fair will be approximately twice as big as any former international exposition. The Centennial exhibition at Philadelphia covered 336 acres; the Paris exposition 336 acres, the Columbian exposition at Chicago 632; the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo 350 acres, and the St. Louis World's fair will cover 1,400.

The construction cost of the Paris exposition was \$9,000,000; the Columbian \$12,222,000; the Pan-American \$10,000,000; and the estimated cost of the St. Louis World's fair will be \$40,000,000.

Before the exposition gates are opened May 1, 1903, the city of St. Louis will have expended the enormous sum of \$20,000,000. Of this amount \$5,000,000 was appropriated through the municipal assembly. Her citizens raised \$5,000,000 additional by private subscription and by popular vote at a special election October 22."

**REDUCTION COMPANY**—Among the articles of incorporation filed with the secretary of state today were papers for the Colorado Reduction company at Cripple Creek. The company is incorporated for \$25,000. The incorporators are Fred J. Hutchinson of Boston, J. C. Bunch of Chicago, H. H. Faugeron, F. J. Alexander and R. H. Fadden.

**LOST IN STORM**—A report from San Juanico states that Rev. E. O. Butler, pastor of the Baptist church of that place, became lost during yesterday's storm and had to return to town to get news that he was received from any of the church parties who were searching for him. He became lost while he was on a hunting trip.

**LAS ANIMAS RETURNS**—The state board of canvassers held a short session this afternoon and adjourned. It is thought that the corrected returns from Las Animas county will be received by Monday, when the board will complete its work.

**GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE**—Gov. elect Peabody has leased the residence of the late Chas. B. Whitehead at 1128 Grant avenue, and is preparing to bring his family to Denver January 1. The residence which he has chosen is one of the finest on Capitol hill.

**INVITATION TO PRESIDENT**—Mayor Wright today sent the following telegram to President Roosevelt: "Denver, Colo., Dec. 20, 1902. To Theodore Roosevelt, President, Washington, D. C.: On behalf of the city of Denver I cordially invite you to visit this city when on your contemplated trip to the Pacific coast the coming summer."

**LIVELY SESSION OF THE STATE CANVASSING BOARD**—Denver, Dec. 22.—The state canvassing board today refused to reconsider the vote whereby Aguilar, the Democratic representative from Las Animas county was seated, but no action was taken on the San Juan contest. In refusing to reconsider the Las Animas vote, Attorney-General Post voted with German and Chipley against reconsideration.

As the house now stands it will contain 32 Republicans, 31 Democrats and there is one in doubt, the doubt arising over the Whitelaw-Cooper contest. This is his contest is to be the battle ground before the board was evidence today that both sides introduced many affidavits to prove the correctness of their claims.

Condensed news of the STATE AND CAPITAL.

**PETITION FOR PARDON**—Fifteen prominent business men visited Governor Orman this morning and presented a petition asking for the pardon of L. B. Flood, who is serving a sentence in the Arapahoe county jail for murder. Flood was a prominent business man of this city.

**FOR SPEAKERSHIP**—Lewis S. Riley of Conoco and Archuleta counties has announced himself as a candidate for speaker of the house, subject to the will of the Republican members elected.

The Democrats and the Republicans were equally represented with affidavits presented by the fact that both sides introduced many affidavits to prove the correctness of their claims.

The two returns from the county which were returned to the county clerk for correction last week were again received by the board today.

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# ALL THE NEWS FROM ALL THE WORLD

## LOCAL

Friday, Dec. 15.

Antonio di Giacomo has filed suit in the district court against the Ajax Brick and Tile company for \$20,000 damages alleged to have been sustained by the capture of a clay bank.

School board has formally accepted improvements on the Columbia school building.

It is reported that L. H. Harding is to be the successor of Grant Pauley as city ticket agent of the Colorado Midland.

Saturday, Dec. 16.

Motion for a new trial in the case of Edward Gleason vs. the Colorado Springs Rapid Transit company was filed in the district court yesterday.

Annual meeting of the Woman's club will be held this afternoon.

Another Mrs. Rose company suit was filed yesterday in the United States district court in Denver.

The first annual ball of the Gentlemen's Driving club was held at the Antlers last night.

Placer Tourist agency has decided to enter the Colorado field next season and it is believed that this will augment the already large summer tourist travel.

Mass meeting of the citizens of Fountain and the farmers of the Fountain valley will be held at Fountain tonight to discuss the question of an irrigation reservoir.

Sunday, Dec. 17.

Plant of the Manitou Electric company is being dismantled and removed to Denver.

According to a report emanating from Oshkosh, I. Harry Stratton of this city is to be married on Wednesday to Miss Josephine Larabee of Oshkosh.

Arthur C. Dutcher of this city has been selected by Governor-elect Peabody as warden of the state reformatory at Buena Vista.

Concert is to be given on Christmas night at the Union Printers home.

Oliver Bainbridge, M. A., Oxford, arrived in the city yesterday; his specialty is in the field of food.

Hearing of the motion for a new trial in the case of John A. Scott vs. the Denver and Rio Grande Railway company will probably come up in the district court Monday.

Fourth general meeting of the Woman's club yesterday afternoon was a most successful musical; plans for children's day next Saturday were announced.

Finance committee of the city council has completed an investigation of the affairs of the city treasurer's office and it is understood that no report will be favorable; misunderstanding appears to have arisen concerning Mr. Harris' connection with the investigation.

Monday, Dec. 18.

Actions of youths on street corners may lead to the formation of a hickory club for the suppression of mashes.

Word has been received of the marriage of Dr. Francis P. Adams and Miss Elizabeth Taylor, both of Peyton, Colorado.

Rock Island is now entirely free from the trouble caused by the recent severe storm in the eastern part of the state.

Associated Charities has hung up its stocking and hopes to be remembered on Christmas.

Owing to a misunderstanding in regard to the time for mass meeting at Fountain to discuss the reservoir question, the meeting was postponed until sometime during the present week.

William Arkins, mining editor of the Cripple Creek Times, was in the city yesterday; he states that from a mining standpoint the district never looked better, fully 20 new ore bodies having been opened up during the course of the year.

J. W. Sweet of Pittsburg has just returned to this city from a visit to the South Park oil fields and is enthusiastic over the outlook there.

Tuesday, Dec. 19.

Word has reached the city of the death of Rev. Ira G. Sprague, mayor of Colorado Springs in 1891-92.

Merchants in all lines of business report an excellent Christmas trade.

Over 500 teachers of the state are in attendance at the association meeting in this city.

Edward Gleason was granted a new trial in his case against the Rapid Transit company.

Cold weather has stopped the laying of stone on the new city hall, but stone cutting is proceeding as usual.

Wednesday, Dec. 20.

False alarm of fire in the First National bank building called the fire department to the corner of 12th & Peak avenue and Tejon street during the height of the crush on the streets yesterday afternoon.

Controversy between Slim Jim and Caledonia companies is to be settled by compromise.

Douglas Sheriff Larabee will today go to the sheriff's ranch near Hillside to serve a distraint warrant issued by the county treasurer on a bunch of cattle in that locality on account of delinquent personal taxes due from a former owner of the herd.

Business at the express offices is reported to be larger than ever before known.

A number of the pupils at the Dear and Blinn institute will leave for their homes today; others will spend the vacation at the school and plenty of Christmas entertainment has been planned.

The "ring of Troats" will give a chalk talk in the auditorium of the First Christian church next Tuesday night for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A.

Report of finance committee shows city treasurer's account to be absolutely correct and is accompanied by a report made by the bonding company which highly compliments the treasurer's methods.

Change in the county administration in accordance with the result of the election last November, takes place at midnight January 12.

## STATE

Friday, Dec. 21.

Motion to reconsider the Las Animas county contest, was introduced at the meeting of the state board of canvassers yesterday and was still pending when adjournment was taken.

New York capitalists have purchased 25 acres in Minnequa addition to Pueblo as a site for a large factory for the manufacture of railway switches and frogs.

Case of William Lawrence, the Pueblo negro charged with murder of Goldstein, is in the hands of the jury.

Pueblo hardware dealers will meet tonight to take preliminary steps for formation of a state association.

Major Moorehead of the State Preparatory football team, has received a telegram from Chicago saying the Hyde Park-College Prep game had been definitely arranged to be played in Denver on New Year's day.

Grading contracts on the new Moffat road were let yesterday which call for cash payments amounting to \$2,000,000; contractors will begin work within ten days and will furnish steady employment for 4,000 men for several months.

Saturday, Dec. 22.

Annual convention of State Retail Grocers and Butchers association is to be held in Denver January 7 and 8.

Smuggler-Union company has begun

preparations for resuming work on its proposed mill at the mouth of the Arkansas river.

An early blizzard at the Alpine pass has tied up the Gunnison branch of the Colorado and Southern.

Cherokee Bill Smith, charged with being leader of the gang which robbed the postoffice at Carlton in Prowers county several weeks ago, has surrendered.

Postmaster General Payne was seized with acute indigestion yesterday, but will probably be at his office again today.

George R. Lechner shot and instantly killed William Haydon at Como, where both men are well known.

State canvassing board is awaiting return of corrected abstracts of San Juan County.

American Steel and Wire company of New Jersey has begun the shipment to Denver of a consignment of between 600 and 1,000 carloads of wire and steel goods valued at \$1,000,000.

Iron Silver Mining company has appealed its case, to compel the secretary of state to accept renewal of its charter to the supreme court.

Victor's water supply is again short owing to leakage from the bottom of the new reservoir. Merchants association has called a meeting appointed committee who will send out invitations to the hardware men of Colorado, several hundred in number, to form a state association.

Sunday, Dec. 23.

Telegram from St. Louis indicates that if a permanent building is erected on the Colorado site at the Exposition grounds the city will keep it in repair.

Frank R. Wood, Republican senator-elect from the twenty-fifth district, has replied to contest papers filed by W. G. Hines.

Among articles of incorporation filed with the secretary of state were papers for the Doshkoff Reduction company of Cripple Creek.

Courier's jury at Como declared that killing of William Hayden by George Lechner was felonious.

Rev. E. O. Butler, pastor of the Baptist church at Saguache, was lost during Friday's storm while on hunting.

State board of canvassers expect to return results from La Junta county on Monday.

Governor-elect Peabody has leased the residence of the late Charles B. Whitehead at 1128 Grant avenue, Denver.

Mayo Wright of Denver has invited President Roosevelt to visit the Colorado capital when on his trip to the Pacific coast next summer.

Pueblo steel works pay day distributed \$25,000.

Major Brown's request that a grand jury be called to investigate Pueblo steel works has caused large amount of interest there.

A malleable iron foundry and a large cold storage plant are among Pueblo's latest acquisitions.

Monday, Dec. 24.

Senator Henry M. Teller arrived in Denver yesterday from Washington to spend the Christmas holidays.

Carl Koller and wife of Florence were found dead in a room in California in which 16 persons were killed.

Union Pacific and Burlington trains were delayed 24 hours or more by the blizzard that raged Thursday and Friday in eastern Colorado and Wyoming and western Kansas and Nebraska.

"Bill" Binnan was arrested at Telluride yesterday in connection with plots at Smuggler-Union property last winter.

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J. A. Nuckles, a prospector who has resided in Cripple Creek for some time, was struck by a freight train yesterday and as a result will probably lose his right leg.

Independence firemen are making preparations for a grand ball on Christmas night.

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# BUSINESS BEATS THAT OF LAST YEAR

**Local Merchants Are Highly Satisfied With Holiday Trade--Lower Prices Prevail in This City Than Elsewhere--Every Sort of Business Getting Its Share of the Trade.**

Christmas business has been much heavier this year than it was last year. This is the general statement given out by the merchants of Colorado Springs and it is not a misstatement or exaggeration either. Some people have talked about hard times, but the stores have tried to notice the hard times for the past week, at least. Whether people have the money to spend or not makes no difference, they are spending it and spending it freely. Everybody is buying and the merchants are making up for an occasional week in the past year when business was dull. The crowd that thronged the streets yesterday was well worth seeing. The people began visiting the stores in the morning and stayed out until late last night making their purchases. There were some people from out of town here, too, for Colorado Springs has won a reputation for having the best at the best prices. A gentleman from Pueblo, who marked yesterday that he had come in to do some shopping as he could get good things much cheaper here than anywhere else in Colorado. And really, it is a fact that prices on everything--except turkeys--are now the same as those who have been afraid to gall for fear that their pocketbooks would not stand the strain will be very much surprised to find how far a little money will go if they visit some of the stores in Colorado Springs resident need go to Denver on account of high prices in Colorado Springs or because the nice things are not here. Everything that could be turned to account as a Christmas gift may be found here and at reasonable prices.

Stationery stores, toy stores, clothing stores, dry goods stores, furniture stores, hardware stores, jewelry stores, drug stores, and all other kinds of stores report a much larger business than was an-

ualized during all the months of the year.

The stores are doing well and markets have done a tremendous business and their rush has just begun. Turkeys are scarce, they have never been known here and are selling all the way from 20 cents a pound to 25 cents a pound. Those that got them direct from the farmers are selling them cheaper than others, later 25 cents a pound they are going rapidly.

Orders should be placed at once or there is danger of the bird being absent from the table on Christmas day.

The increase in local Christmas business is due to the fact that the miners have transferred to it all the property of the Mt. Rosa Mining, Milling and Land Company without any consideration whatever, whereby the supplemental complaint alleged, the said property is lost to the Mt. Rosa Mining, Milling and Land company to the said Mt. Rosa M. M. and L. company that the deed of conveyance of the property of the Mt. Rosa M. M. and L. company to the said Mt. Rosa Mining company is uncertain and indefinite that the plaintiffs are unable to ascertain just what property it was or to describe it, but they think the value is about \$1 million dollars, as stated.

The complaint goes on to state that the Mt. Rosa Mining company is about to sell and dispose of its property in question and that this action will result in irreparable loss and injury to the plaintiffs. They ask therefore for an injunction restraining it from transferring or conveying any property held by it, and also for a decree of court that the conveyance of the property of the Mt. Rosa Mining, Milling and Land company to the Mt. Rosa Mining company is null and void and granting a reconveyance by the latter company to the former. A summons was issued on the supplemental complaint.

Informers Will Get Half of Colorado City Gamblers' Fines

Judge Cunningham of the district court has made an order directing the clerk of the court to pay C. J. Tremmel and J. Vincent Shaw half the amount of the fines to be paid by Byron Hanes, David Rees, C. J. Lacey and J. W. Blackwood, the Colorado City men who were sentenced to serve 30 days in the county jail and pay fines of \$500 and costs each for permitting gambling in their establishments. The men served their terms and each has given bonds for the payment of the fines and costs in five months. This makes something over \$1,000.

At the same time the four men named were sentenced. Henry Coby was given a sentence of six months to run concurrent with the sentence of the others, and was also fined \$500 and costs for violation of the saloon laws. No order was entered in his case regarding the amount of the fine money for information. His orders were entered by Judge Cunningham. In one of the cases against David Rees, C. J. Tremmel is to receive half the fine, and in the other the money will go to J. Vincent Shaw. In the case against J. W. Blackwood the money goes to J. Vincent Shaw. In the case against James L. Lacey the money goes to C. J. Tremmel. There were two cases against Byron Hanes, and in one Tremmel gets the money. Hanes is serving it in the county jail. The order made in each case by the court is as follows:

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County Administration to Change

At Midway, Jan. 12.

Change in the county administration, the result of the election last November, takes place on January 12 at midnight, the second Tuesday in the month.

The midnight change is in accordance with the decision of the supreme court rendered in a case some years ago and followed out by El Paso county, the last time such a change took place.

The decision was in a case brought on account of some acts of a retiring board of county commissioners on the morning of the date of the retirement.

The court said that the board ceased to be at midnight and their acts following that time were illegal.

The present board of county commissioners, composed of Messrs. Rouse, Fullerton and Greenway, is no more after the visit of the governor and his staff.

At the present time the county commissioners are guest of honor at the grand ball to be given by the members of the local company next month. If arrangements are made, why not the new board?

The new board will be organized in the city of El Paso, Texas, on the 1st of January.

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Governor and Staff May Come to the Military Ball

At Midway, Jan. 12.

Dan C. Osman of Denver was in the city yesterday and registered at the Antlers. Mr. Osman is a member of Governor Orman's staff. While here he talked with the officers of company I, Colorado National guard, in regard to the visit of the governor and his staff to this city as guest of honor of the company at the grand ball to be given by the members of the local company next month. If arrangements are made, why not the new board?

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CHAMPION JIM ALMOST KNOCKED OUT BY AMATEUR

At Midway, Jan. 12.

By Associated Press.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 20.—Champion James J. Jeffries, tonight lost a decision in a four-round contest with Jack Monroe, after four rounds of the fiercest fighting Butte has seen for some time.

At one time the champion went to his knees and a knockout looked possible. Jeffries and his manager had posted a forfeit of \$250 for any one to stand against Jeffries for four rounds and Monroe for six.

At the end of the fourth round Monroe was still ready to fight. Monroe is amateur champion of the Pacific coast. Fitzsimmons has posted a forfeit of \$500 to put Monroe out in four rounds.

When the decision was announced the large audience rose in their seats and cheered for Monroe. The champion did his best to deliver a knockout blow and was disappointed over his failure to put Monroe out.

The latter repeatedly sent his straight left to the champion's face and blocked many vicious punches.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 20.—The British boxer, who is as glibly fit as the men who are skinning him, got his way and the world waits for the gift or thought. The Salvatore Army is planning to feed the poor who have no Christmas dinners of their own and the People's Mission is planning to dispense good cheer by providing protection for the feet from the chill of the icy pavements. Both societies will assist in bringing happiness to the poor of the city.

Those who pass down one side of Tejon are pretty apt to pass up the other side.

Fake Foot Racers Must Go to Indiana for Trial

According to an Associated Press dis-

patch yesterday from Indianapolis the Governor of Indiana has issued summonses on the governor of Arkansas, George Ryan and J. H. Ashmore, indicted at Petersburg, Ind., on a charge of helping bungo King C. L. Lorrey, the so-called "Klondike King," to get off at Colorado.

The fake race was held at Colorado.

Ryan and Ashmore are at Hot Springs, where, with four others, they were arrested for pulling off a race there.

The famous foot race, whereby Lorrey lost his money was detailed in these columns at the time of the arrest of the crowd at Hot Springs. It actually took place at Colorado City last summer and it is also a fact that the enormous sum of \$8,000 was lost by Lorrey. Ryan is known here but Ashmore is not, unless he was here under another name.

The other men, supposed to have been members of the gang when it operated in Colorado City and who were arrested at Hot Springs are Scott Goddard, "Honey" Gaffey, Haffey and other celebrities. It is supposed that the arrest of the men in Arkansas caused Lorrey to commence an effort to prosecute them as heretofore he has made no "squeal."

"I knew that the foot race took place in Colorado City," said Chief of Police Vincent Kling in discussing the matter last night. "I did not know it, however, until two weeks after it had taken place. Lorrey, if that was the victim's name, made no report of the matter to me. I understand that he did to some one else, who I don't know, but it never came to the department officially. Yes, I know who it is and I have also heard of Ryan. I never heard of Ashmore or the others to say nothing more."

It is said that the Lorrey deal was not by any means the only one pulled off by the crowd during the summer at Colorado City, but it was the largest one. According to those who claim to know the details of the scheme the man who is likely bungoed supposed that he is losing "some one else; he goes into the game prepared to hand out the valuable 'box' to another party. He puts his money up supposing that it is going to be used for the time being in order to make a showing and he is assured by the kung which works the deal that he is

in a supplemental complaint filed in the district court yesterday in the case of B. B. Brighton et al vs. the Woods of B. B. Brighton & Co., Warren Woods, Investment Company, Warren Woods, Harry E. Woods, Frank M. Woods, the Harry E. Woods and Leasing Bedding Company, the Columbine Viaduct Bedding Company, the United Miners and Tunnel Company, the United Mines Co., the Transportation Company and the Mt. Rosa Mining, Milling and Land Company. An injunction was issued to restrain the defendants from testifying in the trial of the Mt. Rosa Mining, Milling and Land Company, applied to Judge Phillips today for an order of injunction to prohibit the postmaster of Ne-

verdale from interfering with the delivery of mail to the school.

Two years ago the postmaster general of the United States issued an order against this school and under that order the postmaster at Nevada withheld the school's mail. The school retained counsel to fight the order of the government. An injunction was asked for against the postmaster at Nevada, but it was denied in the United States court in St. Louis. The attorneys for the school appealed to the United States supreme court and there it was decided that the injunction prayed for must be granted, because the fraud which had been committed without investigation by the government. Judge Phillips today took up the papers in the case to look them over before issuing the order of injunction.

R. G. DUN & CO.'S REVIEW

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 19.—R. G. Dun & Company's weekly review tomorrow will

Holiday trade has exceeded the most sanguine expectations and retail dealers in all staple lines of merchandise are well maintained with the better grade of goods in brisk demand. Wholesale prices were there to keep order. George H. Earle, Sr., William S. Price and Edward H. Horner were released for the alleged slaves and Benjamin H. Brewster for the claimants. Doubtless the identity of the persons engaged in his discharge on the second day. There was mild jubilation among the spectators, many of whom were negroes, and Dangerfield in a carriage from which the horses had been detached was dragged in triumph along Fifth, Lombard and Eleventh streets.

Lurene Mott, the renowned preacher and agitator, was almost always in contact with the opposition, whether their cause was right or wrong. She was loath to address the judge with arguments and persuasions in favor of justice and humanity, and often this infringement of judicial privilege was tolerated. She would sit beside the poor slave mothers and their children and cheer them while their fate hung in the balance, with those soft, concentrated words of power that she always commands.

The other was the announcement of advanced freight rates to take effect January 1 showing an average increase of about 10 per cent on products of iron and steel. Otherwise the situation is unchanged, the largest producer having over 200,000 tons of iron and steel on hand, and works being pushed as rapidly as supplies of fuel and material will permit.

Supplies of coke do not increase and many furnaces are idle. Contractors for bridge work and track elevation are freely offered by the railroads and accepted only on condition that the exact date of delivery shall not be specified.

Despite the fact that nail mills are sold close up to the end of next year new business is offered and refused and buyers are compelled to go abroad, and the deterioration in quality

has again produced a wider range of quotations in western markets and heavier receipts of cattle add to the depression.

In the woolen goods market there is a fair volume of orders in many cases exceeding available offerings. Worsted and yarns are also firm, while a few grades of raw wool secured another advance. Heavy arrivals of silk have not weakened the tone.

Failures for the week number 267 in the United States against 266 last year and 16 in Canada compared with 27 a year ago.

BANK CLEARINGS

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 19.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at the principal cities for the week ended December 18, with the percentage of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding week last year:

New York ..... \$1,579,710,872 ..... 3

Chicago ..... 127,942,135 19.6

Boston ..... 142,456,595 5.4

Philadelphia ..... 125,770,250 15.0

St. Louis ..... 49,456,595 8

Pittsburgh ..... 37,870,883 12.3

Baltimore ..... 23,268,531 ..... 2.6

San Francisco ..... 51,588,353 21.2

Cincinnati ..... 22,681,000 1.3

Kansas City ..... 21,736,180 13.6

Minneapolis ..... 17,433,940 10.5

Denver ..... 4,323,520 ..... 2.0

Totals U. S. ..... \$2,451,167,412 ..... 2.9

Outside N. Y. ..... 870,426,511 9.5

Totals Canada ..... 33,955,691 15.1

BRIITISH SLOC OF WAR IS IRRELESSLY AROUND

By Associated Press.

Port of Spain, Dec. 20.—The British sloop of war Fontham, which was sent

to command the entrance to the Orinoco, is hard aground near Barrancas, on the left bank of the river, and 120 miles southwest of Trinidad.

The Fontham left this port December 9 to command the Orinoco and open it to foreign vessels, in spite of President Castro's proclamation. No news has been received of her since.

She was stranded on the 12th, but

the crew were saved by the crew of the steamer

Steamer

Exciting Times in Aiding and Pursuing

By Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Dec. 19.—The

All through the anti-slavery decade

negro hunters were to be seen in Philadelphia. The abounding pathos of the struggles toward freedom was quite often relieved by the ludicrous. As the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church, so the bloody capture of fugitive slaves at Christiansburg, in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, in 1858, gave the great alarm of the "underground railroad." As the slaveholders ostentatiously viewed their slaves as chattels, so, too, there was a palpable irony in shipping some of them to the north in closely bound packages, like so much merchandise. Several negroes thus escaped from slavery were taken from their portable prisons in this city and expedited by various means and ways to Canada. It became a custom for negroes to assume, as an addition to their names, the word "Box," in memory of their experience.

One of the most famous escapes of this kind was that of Henry "Box" Brown, who arrived in Philadelphia

from Richmond in a wooden case two feet eight inches deep, two feet wide and

one foot high.

Other negroes who fled to Canada

did so in similar boxes.

These wishing information as to the

Courses in Drawing, Painting, Designing, etc., inquire of Louis Souter, Director of Art Department,

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"ANGELS GREET THE NEW BORN CHRIST."

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till the sparks brightened the dusky room.

"What were they?" asked Bess the curious one.

"Two plain linen, hemstitched handkerchiefs, a pair of stockings and a box of writing paper, which were the most acceptable presents I ever had. They were delightfully useful."

"The most precious Christmas present I ever had," said Bess. "was the tiny blue-and-gold copy of Miss Haverhill's 'Forget-me-nots' which Nora gave me. I have read it every day since until it is ready to drop to pieces, but I shall have it rebound and shall always love it more and more."

"I can remember some nice Christmas presents I have had, said Miss Melville, sitting quietly in the corner. "There was a dainty little volume of 'Gold Dust' in gold and scarlet which I would not part with for money; a silver ink eraser and a pair of letter scales, which have been my friends and companions for years; then a closet-door bag, so useful that I am glad of Christmas whenever I put anything into its capacious pockets."

"When I was a child," observed Mother Kendall, rounding the mittens she was busy knitting. "Christmas time was simply a joyful festival with no care or anxiety about it. We were poor and lived in a log house, and my mother had no money to spend, but she made a beautiful rag doll, which went into my stocking with a roll of bright calico pieces, a gilded cut-glass bottle that was still scented with perfume, a paper of brown sugar and cinnamon, and a gingerbread man, brown and crisp, looking out at the top. I was as happy as any child today who receives loads of expensive toys because each little gift, poor though it was told me of mother's love."

"It is the loving thought that makes a gift shine," said Mary. "The most valued present I ever had is the etching Miss Melissa gave me of Ary Scheffer's 'Christ and St. John.' It speaks to me every day of love, and makes me better. Mother, shall we read Sarah's letter? You did enjoy it so much when it came."

"This letter from Sarah," explained Mrs. Kendall, "shows what rich returns in gratitude one may receive from a Christmas gift when well chosen."

"I wish to thank you, Sarah writes, 'for your kind gift of the magazine this year. I am sure you will like to know what a source of pleasure it has proved to so many. I have sent it each week to my brother Tom; and he has, in turn, handed it over to a minister living next door, who can hardly wait for it.' Tom says, Anna has many of the numbers to read before they go to Tom, and so has Mrs. Roberts. So you can see, the "little candle" has spread its rays wide. The message to those who receive it is an education and an inspiration. Once more I wish to thank you for the good it does me in my own life."

"I consider that Christmas gift one of the richest investments I ever made," said Mother Kendall, folding the letter carefully and replacing it in its envelope.

"Tell us, Mother Kendall," said Bess, "what was the very best Christmas gift you ever received."

"The very best," returned Mother Kendall, thoughtfully, looking over her glasses into the glowing ember of the fire. "The very best gift I ever had was unexpectedly one Christmas evening. I was earning my living at a laundry, and married on Christmas day, too. Said it was because o' the sentiment connected with the occasion, an' all that, but just the same, he got confidential one time an' told me that he figured he'd save enough to buy him a home, just by combinin' the anniversary, birthday and Christmas presents."

"Merry Christmas to all, And to all a good night."

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"I reckon," said Mr. Meddergrass, "that about the most economical man we ever had in these parts was Jeb Hawkins. When Jeb went a courtin' he picked about the humliest gal there was in town, but he had to fer she was the only one that had a candle stick. Christmas day, an' he insisted on bein' married on Christmas day, too. Said it was because o' the sentiment connected with the occasion, an' all that, but just the same, he got confidential one time an' told me that he figured he'd save enough to buy him a home, just by combinin' the anniversary, birthday and Christmas presents."

"As ships meet at sea for a moment together, when words of greeting must be spoken, and then away upon the deep, so men walk in this world. And I think we should cross no man's path without bauling, and, if needs, giving him supplies."—Henry War Beecher.

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"At a dinner given in a home that was planned for the literary acquirments of its members the conversation naturally turned to books and their authors. This was not much to the liking of one young woman, who was more noted for her skill at golf and kindred sports than for her knowledge of romance and history. From time to time, she attempted to start a discussion of outdoor games, but to no avail. At last her companion at the table turned to her with the inquiry:

"And do you not like Kipling?"

The fair young thing knitted her brows in thought for a moment, then answered blithely:

"Kipling? I don't believe it has been introduced in our set yet. How do you kipple, anyway?"—What to Eat.

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"The Road of the Loving Heart, O what is this pathway white, with parapets of light,

Whose slender links go up, go up, and meet in heaven high?

Tis the Road of the Loving Heart from earth to sky.

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"Who made the beautiful road? It was the Son of God,

Of Mary born in Bethlehem. He planned it first, and then

Up the Road of the Loving Heart he led all men.

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"It is not hard to build? Yes, all his years were filled

With labor, but he counted not the cost nor was afraid;

No Road of the Loving Heart is cheaply made.

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The shining parapet in tireless love was set,

A deathless patience shaped the treads

and made them firm and even;

By the Road of the Loving Heart we climb to heaven.

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May I follow this path of souls which leads to the shining goals?

Yes, Christ has opened the way to all

which his blessed feet once trod,

And the Road of the Loving Heart he made is the Road to God.

—Susan Coolidge.

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The Time of Turning.

December's dome is dark and bleak;

December's floor is cold and white;

Yet through December's door we seek

The harbingers of life and light.

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The waning sun, whose dwindling days

Shrunk to the eyes of darkened men,

Turns in his path, the while we praise

And sing that earth is born again.

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So if your house of life be dark,

Throw open now its windows wide;

Look out, look, and joyous mark

The sojourn of the Christmas-ide!

—Edmund Vance Cooke.

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Christmas Gifts and Christmas Lovin'.

A few friends gathered with Mary

Kendall and her mother around their

hospitable open fire had been talking

over this vexed problem of Christmas

giving and had been relating exper-

iences.

"I spent enough last year to bankrupt me for a month," said one, "and my friends spent more on me, and we have nothing to show for it but a lot of trash we can't find storeroom for."

"The same with us," said Nora. "Last year we spent \$60, which we could afford, for Christmas presents, and such an enormous amount of ink stands, picture frames, lace handkerchiefs, jeweled buttons, silk ties, and silly braid-a-brac of all kinds as we and our friends exchanged with each other! It makes me sick to think of it."

"I have had a few nice Christmas presents," said Mary, with a soberness

that set us all to laughing, and Mary

smiled, too, as she stirred the fire un-

til the sparks brightened the dusky room.

# A Child of Christmas

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(Conclude from Last Sunday.)

But where did the disease come from? How did poor Nan take the infection?

It was the wonder of a long day, until it was discovered that Peter Valcombe, who had been ill in his room for several days, had the same disease.

You may well believe that the people were properly indignant that such a malignant distemper should have been brought among them. There was some pretty hot talk by those who had small children; but Dr. Randolph Dorrington who, if anybody, was the one to complain, took it all as a mere course.

He took prompt measures to isolate the two cases, securing for that purpose a vacant dwelling on the outskirts of the town.

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But as the cooler weather drew on there came a time when the visits of Mr. Valcombe ceased. This was very pleasing to Nan Dorrington, who was a little jealous of the Frenchman. Since her illness she was more devoted to Zephyrine than ever. And Nan was more beautiful than ever. There was not a mark on her face to show that she had ever suffered from that terrible disease, and it was all owing to Zephyrine.

And yet, among Nan's father and Zephyrine a terrible state of affairs existed. This was owing in part to the jovial Mr. Sanders and in part to the misunderstanding that had arisen when Zephyrine had made her unexpected appearance as a voluntary nurse. When Zephyrine returned home Mr. Sanders was the first to greet her, and his greeting brought the blood to her face.

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THE VALUE OF COLORADO AIR.

COLORADO VISITORS, even more than Colorado residents, are awake to the importance of preserving to the fullest possible degree the original natural attractions that form so important a part of our business resources. To preserve the forests, to keep the rocks and the trees in their natural beauties, to save the canons and the mountains from the profaning hand of the various kinds of vandals that would exploit them for trifling or temporary advantage, are surely parts of a policy that is supported by every consideration of sound business judgment.

And it is of even greater importance to preserve as far as possible that most priceless of all our heritages, the beautiful pure Colorado air, which is of importance not only for itself but for its relation to the beauty of local scenery and the advantages of local climate.

Other cities, with far less interest in the matter than has Colorado Springs, have passed and are enforcing strict anti-smoke ordinances, and find no serious difficulty in reconciling material prosperity and industrial development with a consideration of those esthetic qualities that are so important a part of the modern city.

Colorado Springs cannot fairly be said to have had at any time a "smoke nuisance," as that term is understood elsewhere, for the dry air and the lignite coal make such a thing impossible. But the atmospheric conditions are by no means entirely satisfactory, even at the present time, and visitors are frequently impelled to ask what is being done to preserve the pure air and the constant sunshine that are so important features of our winter seasons.

Fortunately for the city and its neighbors, whose interests are the same as its own, the progress of modern science makes it quite possible to build up its manufacturing interests without any sacrifice of its scenic and climatic attractions. An extensive electric plant is already established for the purpose of using coal at the mouth of the mines, and the power thus produced can be supplied in any part of Colorado Springs. Colorado City or Manitou, more cheaply than it can be developed by direct burning of coal for steam purposes.

There are without doubt a number of manufacturing enterprises that could be profitably started in Colorado Springs at the present time for which there are a local demand, a local market, a local labor supply, an abundance of cheap power and valuable local raw materials. With proper effort and the presentation of the facts to the right persons several thousand persons may be added to the population of this county and many thousands of dollars to our invested and producing capital. Along such lines as these, rather than in seeking to vie with other communities in enterprises for which they possess superior advantages, may our efforts be most profitably exerted.

## ARBITRATION FOR VENEZUELA.

THE PROPOSAL that the questions in dispute between Venezuela and the European governments should be submitted to arbitration, which has been suggested by the United States government acting as an intermediary, has been met with the counter proposition that President Roosevelt should himself act as the arbitrator of this dispute.

While this counter suggestion is highly complimentary to President Roosevelt and to the nation of which he is the official head, it is not at all surprising that it should not be received with favor by him.

Of course President Roosevelt in accepting this task would not feel obliged in person to attend to all the details of the minute investigation of the claims against Venezuela, and of the facts that might be presented in justification of the course pursued by President Castro's government. But President Roosevelt certainly would not slight a task of this kind that had been accepted by him, and the president of the United States is a much busier man than the European monarchs who have presided over arbitration courts.

And there is another very good reason why President Roosevelt would hesitate to become the official head of the arbitration tribunal. As such his duty would be to hold the scales of justice with strict impartiality between the South American republic and the European claimants, and without regard to any other matters. But as president of the United States, Mr. Roosevelt ought to assume a benevolent and protective attitude toward the South American republics, and in any question like the present, he ought to consider the interests of the United States ahead of those either of Venezuela or of the European claimants. As chief arbitrator President Roosevelt might believe it to be his duty to make a decision which as president of the United States it would be his duty to disapprove. The head of the United States ought not to be asked to arbitrate a question in which this government has a serious though possibly an indirect interest.

Further than that, the service of President Roosevelt as head of the board of arbitration would be an important step toward committing this country to an enforcement of the arbitration award, a responsibility that the United States should be very slow to assume. It is true that under ordinary circumstances the members of an arbitration board do not assume any such responsibility, but the circumstances of the present case are not ordinary ones, and the relations of the United States and Venezuela are such that serious consequences might follow an award distinctly favorable to either of the parties to the controversy.

Taking all these things into consideration, together with others that might be mentioned, it is far better that the Venezuelan case should be referred to The Hague tribunal, which has been constituted by the nations of the world for precisely such cases, and which is not subject to any reasonable objection, on the score of competency, ability or impartiality.

Unlike some other papers the Gazette much prefers to call attention to what it has done, rather than to brag furiously in advance of what it is going to do. Yesterday's magnificent Christmas number with its 32 pages filled with interesting special articles, live and reliable news, local and telegraphic, and the advertising columns filled with holiday announcements by local merchants, was a magnificent tribute to the enterprise and good judgment of Colorado Springs business men, and a further proof of the well known fact that Colorado Springs people demand and continue to receive the best that is being produced in the newspaper world.

The recent special number of the Scientific American constituted a very interesting exhibit of the rapid growth of American commerce in every department. The magnificent ocean-going steamers that are now being built in this country, both for the transatlantic and the transpacific trade, the immense new freight carriers for the great lakes, and the massive locomotives for freight and passenger service, all give indisputable proof of the rapid progress of American industry and trade, a progress which fully justifies the predictions made some years ago by the friends of the American system of protection and the advocates of American expansion.

The somewhat sensational death of Mr. Whayne, said to be due to accident, is likely to call attention to the evils of over-insurance upon lives, which is almost as much of a danger as the over-insurance of buildings against fire or of ships against wreck. According to the press reports this Mr. Whayne had already insured his life for \$300,000, and was still practising the habit, as he had recently applied for \$50,000 more. Very few men are worth that much in money, either to themselves or to the insurance companies. As for these, they have accepted the premiums together with the risk, and they ought to be compelled to pay the penalty, unless there is conclusive evidence of fraud. But there is good reason for believing that such large policies are not in accordance with public policy, and they are not creditable either to the company that issues them or to the individual that secures them.

The cable ship *Silvertown*, which is laying an American cable from San Francisco to Honolulu, remains in constant communication with the Californian shore through the cable itself, the message being sent from the instrument on shipboard through the coils in the cable tanks and thence under the waters of the ocean to the land. It is expected that Honolulu will be reached before Christmas day, and possibly at that time a message may be sent from Governor Dole to President Roosevelt. From the Hawaiian Islands the cable will soon be stretching westward across the Pacific to Guam and the Philippines.

Colorado Springs has been enjoying a very good article of winter climate in the past week, and it seems hardly possible that within 30 miles of this city a fierce blizzard is raging. But the storm king is usually very considerate of Colorado Springs. Many storms that visit neighboring states never reach us at all, and whenever we do have bad weather, it is pretty safe to say that it is very much worse elsewhere.

## THE COLORADO-NEW MEXICO BOUNDARY.

B EFORE our water troubles with Kansas are settled, along comes somebody with the horrid discovery that a statute of the United States refers to the 38th parallel as the boundary between Colorado and New Mexico, and therefore this state must lose a tract of territory 60 miles or more in width along its entire southern boundary.

The subject is sufficient for a newspaper sensation, according to the customs of some offices, but no one need lose any sleep over the fear that Trinidad and the San Juan will wake up some morning to find themselves out of the union, and subject to the good graces of Senator Beveridge to get back in again.

Whatever the statutes of the United States may contain, by error or by intention, the one positive authority upon this subject is the enabling act approved March 3, 1875, by which the inhabitants of the territory of Colorado were authorized to form the state of Colorado. The southern boundary of the new state by this act was made the thirty-seventh parallel of north latitude. And the first article of the state constitution declares the southern boundary of the state to be the thirty-seventh parallel of latitude, and the foot note in the Annotated Statutes says that "the southern portion of the state, bounded on the north and south by the 38th and 37th parallels, east by the 26th meridian and west by the Rocky mountains—ceded by the state of Texas and Mexico—was transferred from the territory of New Mexico to the territory of Colorado, by the act of congress."

And after that, it will take more than a newspaper screed to deprive us of Las Animas and Archuleta and the other southern counties.

## A SLANDER UPON THE WEST.

O NE OF the slanders upon the west resulting from Senator Beveridge's attempt to justify the exclusion of the territories of New Mexico and Arizona is a pair of maps printed as a part of the sub-committee's report.

Upon these maps an attempt is made to show by black areas, land "taken up or capable of sustaining population," and by white areas "land open to entry, but not capable of supporting population." These maps bear the imprint of the United States geological survey, division of hydrography, but the Gazette is not informed as to whether the arbitrary division of lands capable of supporting population and those incapable of doing so is the result of the efforts of Senator Beveridge and his associates of the majority of the committee, or of the geological survey.

Whichever it is, we find it impossible to believe that the capacity of these territories to support population is fairly represented by the scattering black squares upon a white background, though that is unquestionably the impression sought to be conveyed by the report.

Senator Beveridge seems to belong to the same class of American statesmen who once opposed the building of a wagon road out of Boston for 18 miles for the reason that it went so far west that no one would ever use it, and who later wrote the "Great American Desert" into the geography books. To preserve his consistency he ought to introduce a resolution declaring war against old Mexico to force that country to take Arizona and New Mexico off our hands.

## SOME ASPECTS OF THE VENEZUELAN AFFAIR.

P ROBABLY the most evidently important feature in connection with the Venezuelan trouble is the fact that Germany and Great Britain should have taken the trouble to assure themselves in advance of the attitude of the United States, and should have limited their course of action by explanations to us. Such explanations are, in themselves, very plain and substantial recognition of the Monroe doctrine, and an admission that this country has a special and superior interest in the affairs of the South American states, such as does not belong to any power of Europe.

And it is safe to say that this deference to the opinion of the United States does not arise from any sentimental consideration for our wishes nor altruistic endeavor to do what is best for our interests. It results, first, from our plain and unmistakable declarations of the Monroe doctrine, and, second, from that wise national policy in building a strong navy, which has made it possible to do something more than to protest against the aggressions even of the greatest nations of the world.

With the memory of the Venezuelan boundary dispute fresh in the minds of the diplomats of the European capitals, and with Admiral Dewey of Manila bay still in command of the same ships that fought at Santiago de Cuba, and with the knowledge that the new ships added to the navy since the Spanish war are more powerful than the total fleet that swept the Spanish ships out of existence with hardly the loss of a man on our side, it is not surprising that the European powers, before proceeding to collect a debt of a few million dollars from Venezuela, should stop to inquire, What is the United States of North America going to do about it?

There could be no more sincere compliment to our national strength than this recognition of the justice of our claims in the matter, and it is pleasant to know that this manifestation of respect has been returned with equal fairness and justice from our side. While abating no part of our declaration that the independent republics of South America must not be made European colonies, that there must be no territorial acquisitions on that continent, and that unjustifiable aggression or oppression of our southern neighbors would be regarded as distinctly unfriendly to the United States, our government has freely admitted that the nations of Europe unquestionably have good grounds for complaint against Venezuela for the non-payment of her obligations and the non-performance of her duties under international law.

To show how thoroughly just and reasonable this is, we need only suppose Turkey to be in the position of Venezuela and the United States endeavoring to secure by a show of force the payment of just debts or the fulfillment of just obligations. In such a case the powers of Europe would certainly have a right to object to any permanent seizure of Turkish territory, or unwarrantable aggression, but they would not have the right to object to such a proceeding on our part as is now being executed by the allied fleet on the Venezuelan coast.

There is another aspect of the Venezuelan affair which is not less interesting but more disquieting to Americans. Germany was undoubtedly the leader in the demonstration against Venezuela, and her diplomats deserve credit for securing the participation of Great Britain in an affair that might otherwise have appeared much more suspicious to Americans. But the dual alliance, for this matter, has later been increased by the accession of Italy, while Spain, Belgium and the Netherlands have signified that their demands are also to be considered. France, overshadowed by her great ally of the north, and satisfied with the decision of her Venezuela claims by a recent arbitration tribunal, has contented herself with a formal notice that her subsequent claims stand on the same footing with those of the other powers.

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Thus for the first time in history United Europe faces United America in a dispute unimportant in itself, and one which the parties on both sides of the ocean hope may be settled without anything more serious than a "peaceful blockade" or a demonstration in force along the Venezuelan coast.

But the beginning has been made. The United States of North America, freely admitted to be the richest, the most resourceful and, in many important departments of national life, the greatest nation that ever appeared upon this earth, cannot count upon a continued advantage over disrevered, jealous and hostile European states. The fifty states of the great North American federation, many of them possessing the area and the resources sufficient for independent nations, bound together in the strength of a federal union, and dominating, in a just and non-aggressive policy of the protection of mutual interests, the American hemisphere from the Arctic to the Antarctic, has aroused the alarm of Europe. The warnings of prominent Europeans, heard with increasing frequency in recent years, and certain to become much more impressive in the future, have already produced their effect.

America is a unit in defending itself from unwarranted aggression. Europe is a unit in demanding attention for its just claims.

Viewed in this light, the Venezuelan affair of 1902 is a historical event of much more than ordinary importance, and future historians may see in it the beginnings of great movements that may engage the attention of the nations for centuries to come, and results finally in consequences of transcendent importance.

## THE UNION PACIFIC PENSION SYSTEM.

T HE Union Pacific Railway company is setting a good example to Western corporations in providing a pension system for those employees who have grown old in its service. According to the new arrangement, which goes into effect January 1st next, the persons whose names are placed on the pension list will have no duties to perform, but each of them will be paid one per cent. of the average salary drawn by him during the last ten years he was in the service of the company, multiplied by the total number of years he was in such service. Thus a person who has been twenty years in the service of the company will receive annually twenty per cent. of his average salary for the past ten years.

Such a measure, providing for the peace and comfort of declining years of those who have given their best efforts to the service of a corporation, is coming more and more to be regarded as an act of justice, as well as one that is conducive to the general social interests of the community. Unquestionably better service is secured, and more constant and faithful performance of duty, than where the employee is necessarily distracted by the thought of what is to stand between him and actual want when his mental and physical strength shall have declined.

Among those who will be placed on the Rock Island's roll of honor after the first of January next is the veteran Colonel George Ady, who has been for years one of the best known and deservedly one of the most popular railroad men of the state. No one has better earned a rest by long and honorable service, and the general public will join with his associates in wishing him a long life and a happy one.

## A NEW REVENUE RULING.

A RECENT RULING by Commissioner Yerkes of the internal-revenue bureau may be a matter of some local interest. On December 16 this official rendered a decision in which he ruled that druggists and others who sell soda water drinks, claret soda or similar beverages to which distilled spirits, wine or any compounds thereof are added in any quantity, however small, are required to pay the special tax provided for retail liquor dealers under the internal revenue laws.

Under the old rulings, druggists and others were allowed to add to soda water and other soft drinks an "inappreciable quantity" of distilled spirits or wines for flavoring purposes. The former ruling is now revoked to take effect January 1, 1903.

Some of the druggists of Colorado Springs, who seem to have no hesitation whatever in violating the city ordinances with only occasional and short-lived periods of obedience to the laws, are extremely sensitive upon the point of being called "liquor sellers," and it will doubtless come as a severe shock to them to learn that after the first of January the United States government will not be so considerate of their feelings as to refrain from taxing them as retail liquor dealers, if even an inappreciable quantity of alcohol is used to flavor their beverages.

In the meantime the temporary spasm of reform and the jealous vigilance of the Colorado City people having abated, these same druggists will undoubtedly continue to make hay while the sun shines, and to reap the profits of their "Christmas trade" under the same benign indifference of the city authorities, to which they have become so thoroughly accustomed.

## BOULDER IN 1902.

T HE ENTERPRISING proprietors and publishers of the Boulder Daily Camera have just presented their readers and fellow citizens with one of the handsomest and most complete souvenirs editions ever published in this state. It is a handsome magazine of a hundred pages, profusely illustrated, and containing a very complete description of the commercial, agricultural, mining, manufacturing and other interests of one of the wealthiest, most populous and most progressive counties of the state.

The management of the Camera certainly deserves a great deal of credit for this contribution to the history of Colorado development, and it is to be hoped that the people of that prosperous community will not fail to appreciate the service rendered to them at its full value.

The appointment of Dr. P. O. Hanford of this city as surgeon general of the national guard of this state is one that will give general satisfaction. Dr. Hanford is well known in this city, where he is deservedly popular, both for his professional ability and his personal character, and no better selection for this position could have been made.

A very unusual election result is reported from Montana where a special election in Yellowstone county has for a second time resulted in a tie. At the regular election the Democratic and Republican candidates each received 738 votes, and instead of drawing lots, as would normally have been the case in Colorado, a special election was held, at which each candidate received 575. A third election will probably be held.

Senator Teller's prediction of serious trouble over the Venezuelan complication is worthy of attention. We trust that his apprehension may prove to be unfounded, but it is undoubtedly shared by some of the shrewdest of American statesmen.

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for Reed before the Kansas state convention declared for McKinley. Whether or not Reed knew this the writer is not able to make out. But Reed was the first prominent man to write about "What's the matter with Kansas?" letter is framed in the Gazette of today. The piece had been printed a few weeks before he wrote. Later was the writer's honor to be counseled Reed's friends.

The day McKinley died, Reed and another friend and the editor of Gazette happened to meet at lunch in the Century club in New York city. Reed was big with the philosophy of the hour. His rival was dead; the room was closed on his ambition. He knew it. After a simple meal had been put away, Reed pushed back his chair and began to talk. For three long hours he discoursed most beautifully on his plan. It was old, but the old Liberian plan over again. If the white people of this nation had seriously made up their minds 100 years ago to segregate the negro back to Africa or elsewhere where they might have done so. All such plans are sheer moonshine now.

In the first place, the whites never wished to be segregated, and the negroes to be segregated. They are too useful. The industrial prosperity of large parts of the nation rests on their strong muscles and gradually brightening brains. The industrial leaders of the south—the men who are really making the new south—would be the first to resist by every means in their power Senator Morgan's plan if they thought there was any serious danger of its being adopted.

In the second place, the negroes do not wish to be segregated. They decline opportunities in that direction even when they might thereby attain economic independence. Scores of the best-informed white men have publicly declared, for example, that the negroes could within 20 years, simply by taking advantage of well-known economic laws, legally and absolutely own the Yazoo delta region of Mississippi, perhaps the most fertile part of the continent. Yet the negroes exhibit no such tendency. They prefer to remain with the white man.

Since neither race really wishes to be separated from the other, the impracticability of attempting segregation by governmental agencies is evident. Nor is there any reason why they should wish to be segregated. The question of political privileges is being settled in a way that is regarded by such negroes as Booker T. Washington as promoting the advancement of their race as well as making it earn political power as the European ancestors of the whites earned it. The negro is securing just as white men secure it, the economic position of his capacity merits. The question of social equality is settling itself, just as it has settled itself among white men.

The negroes are here. They have been here—90 per cent. of them—more than 100 years. So far as ancestral residence counts for anything, they are more "American" than one-half their white fellow citizens. They are learning to care for themselves. They have just as much pride in their country as white men of equal opportunities and are just as willing to serve it and die for it if need be.

To talk about inducing them to go to the Philippines is folly. If they go it will be as little as white men go, to better their condition. If they stay, it will be as white men stay, because they so prefer. This is their country. They also are Americans.

**McKinley and Reed.**  
(William Allen

# TWENTY KILLED IN RAILROAD COLLISION

## Horrors of Wreck in California Increased by Latest Details--Two People From Florence, Colorado, Are Among List of Injured.



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San Francisco, Dec. 21.—The list of fatalities attending the railroad collision at Byron, Cal., last night, is receiving frequent additions at the Southern Pacific hospital in this city, where 22 victims have been brought. At 10 o'clock tonight eight deaths were reported beside those that killed outright. A telegram from Fresno announces the death there of D. J. Vernon, another of the injured. This makes the total list of fatalities 19.

Other patients are reported in critical condition. Tonight Richard Post, a medical student at the Affiliated Colleges died of his injuries. He was on his way to Fowler, Cal., to spend the holiday vacation when he received the fatal injury. Minigawga, a Japanese girl was also seriously burned and died tonight. Every possible care and attention is being given the unfortunate at the hospital by the surgeons and nurses and but few are permitted to receive friends or relatives.

An inquiry is progressing into the cause of the collision, a new committee is given to the origin of the disaster. Immediately following the meeting of the trains the supervisor is advanced that Engineer McGuire of the Stockton Flyer was largely at fault.

Today's developments places the burned and bruised engineer in a different light. It is acknowledged that the leak in the boiler of the Owl engine delayed the progress of the train and when it reached Byron there had been considerable schedule time lost. When Conductor William Dolan of the Owl stopped at Byron he found a freight train standing on the other track and he sought to secure its engine to supplant the faulty one of the Owl. It is asserted that considerable time was lost in trying to arrange the transfer before the plan was found unavailing and then it was decided to send a flagman back to signal the approaching local.

A significant statement is made by W. M. Moore, a fruit merchant of San Jose, who was in the neighborhood on business. At the time of the collision Mr. Moore was on a wagon road

near the station at Byron. Across the open field lying between him and the railroad tracks he had a clear view of the local and the station. He says that he saw a man swinging a lantern on the track and there was just about the distance of two telegraph poles between the lantern and the headlight of the fast moving engine.

Taking Mr. Moor's statement as correct there was a very limited distance in which the flyer could be stopped. It is reported that it was traveling 60 miles an hour and would require more than a quarter of a mile in which to come to a halt. Both Engineer McGuire and Fireman Joyce have made statements in which they declare that the brakes were put on and the engine reversed so that the flyer slid along the tracks until it crashed into the standing passenger train.

The railroad company last night made every possible arrangement for the comfort of the injured and this morning all of the sufferers were tenderly placed on a train and conveyed to the company's hospital in this city. On the way here Miss Mabel Vezey, Miss Mayer and Len Irwin breathed their last and W. F. Temple and Robert Renwick succumbed almost immediately after passing within the doors of the hospital.

Tung Fu Siang, a Chinese maid was the next to be placed on the fatal list and later in the night Richard Post and Minigawga passed away.

At 11 p. m., Carl Mayer, aged 7, expired making the 20th victim.

J. Vernon, who was taken to his home in Fresno, died late tonight. His son, who was also among the injured, was reported to be in a state of collapse and pulseless.

At the hospital at 11 o'clock tonight the statement was made that several more deaths were likely to occur before this morning. Mrs. Mayer whose little son and daughter have died is very low and her other son, about 20 years old, is also in a critical condition.

The condition of Stella Howard of San Francisco, is also exciting the apprehension of the physicians.

### FLORENCE PEOPLE INJURED IN WRECK IN CALIFORNIA

By Associated Press.

Martinez, Calif., Dec. 21.—As a result of a rear-end collision between the Stockton flyer and Owl train on the Southern Pacific at Byron last night 16 deaths have already been recorded and there are indications that the total will soon be raised to 20. Most of the wounded passengers who were too severely injured to be taken to their homes were taken to the Southern Pacific hospital at San Francisco today and on the way to the place five of the victims died. Twenty-two of the injured reached the hospital where it was announced tonight that R. Post, Fowler, Calif., and Lee Siu, a Chinaman of San Francisco, would probably die. Of the 22 patients, only four were permitted to receive visitors so seriously were they suffering.

The dead are:

- ROBERT RENNICK, San Francisco, but his body has not been recovered.
- W. F. TEMPLE, Modesto, Calif., 19.
- GEORGE SESSIONS, Oakland, Calif., aged 50.
- CHARLES OWENS, Fresno, Calif., aged 55.
- MISS MYERS, Fresno.
- TUNG TIA GONG, a Chinese girl of San Francisco.
- The unidentified dead include one white man, evidently a sailor, two Chinese, one Japanese woman and a Japanese child.

A revised list of the injured includes:

- CARL KELLER and wife, Florence, Colo.
- D. J. Vernon, scalded, knee broken; D. J. Vernon, Jr., Fresno, serious bruises; Edward Joyce, fireman, Stockton train, scalded; S. S. Crites, Bakersfield, scalded; George Washington, Owl cook, leg broken; Ed Stanger, second cook, head and leg cut; Charles Harris, third cook, head and leg injured; E. Towles, fourth cook, head cut, leg smashed; A. A. Sanderson, waiter, head cut; C. C. Alexander, waiter, knee broken; Miss Mary Bolen, Fresno, hand slightly cut. Enginner Maguire, severely hurt; W. E. Miller, Mayor, San Francisco, scalded and bruised; Richard Post, Fowler, Calif., scalded; F. E. Eastman, Paris, Me., fatally injured; George Naka, Japanese, San Francisco, head cut; Lou Lee, Chinese, San Francisco, scalded; Lawrence Hunter, San Francisco, burns on head and face; E. Lee, Louisville, Ky., burns on head, face and arms.

The dead were brought here this morning and an inquest will be held tomorrow. Most of the corpses are terribly mutilated. This made the work of identification very difficult. The injured were taken to Oakland. All are reported recovering from their injuries and no further casualties are anticipated.

Edward Joyce, fireman of the Stockton flyer, in a statement explaining the collision, said:

"We saw the flagman's light ahead and us and put on the brakes at once. They seemed to work well enough but we could not stop in time and crashed into the rear of the Owl train. The engine went right through the car."

Frank H. Short, a prominent resident of Fresno, who was at dinner with C. H. Rowell, editor of the Fresno publican when the collision occurred, said in discussing the wreck:

"It was indescribably awful. A young girl who was sitting opposite us with a young gentleman was hurled against me, her head striking on my nose and nearly breaking it. She immediately became hysterical and Mr. Rowell and myself had to carry her out of the car where she was taken care of.

"The car was completely gutted and the fire had spread both east and west taking the building occupied by Broyles, McLean & Lackey on the west and that occupied by the David Commission company on the east. The flames had eaten their way through the walls on each side and made the first evidence of their appearance on the outside by a shower of flying sparks and falling embers. Gaining food hold by means of these auxiliary fires, the blaze made a second grand burst hurling fire

Men were begging, appealing, swearing and groaning. And everything was in utter darkness. A fence was torn down and fires started to give light. Men were seen sticking out of windows with their limbs caught in the mass of wreckage. Some had doubtless met instantaneously death while others were horribly scalded and impaled in the debris. On one side of the car the people seemed to be mostly scalded while on the other side they were crushed. Among those penned up there were no slight injuries; all were either killed outright or seriously hurt.

"I immediately began the work of rescuing. With axes and saws we made our way into the car and worked back along the seats, carrying out the poor unfortunate. I think every person I carried out had a broken limb. The people in the train worked heroically and everything was done to alleviate the suffering of the injured. The special from Byron Springs, bringing Dr. Davison and Dr. Blodget, arrived promptly and soon all the injured that could be extricated from the debris were made as comfortable as possible. "In going around the car, my attention was attracted by some one lying on the ground calling out 'Frank.' I bent over and saw that he was terribly scalded. I did not recognize him and understood him to say his name was Olsen. He managed to say that he thought he was pretty badly hurt. He was rational. I immediately brought Dr. Davison to him but he could not wait to see whether anything could be done for him. Afterward I learned that he was Clarence Oluf, a

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# MINES AND MINING

## ANOTHER CYANIDE MILL.

Special to the Gazette.

Cripple Creek, Dec. 19.—The old Van Fleet Sampler on Bull hill, near Goldfield, has been leased for three years to Messrs. Rice, Barryhill & Russell, who are converting the old sampler as fast as possible into a cyanide mill. Thirty cars handle 100 tons of ore each day, are now on their way here, and it is the opinion of the lessees that they can keep them busy through the winter. The sampler stands today in as good repair as on the day it closed and as soon as the tanks are put in place everything will be ready for business. These gentlemen have a long lease on the Ironclad property on Ironclad hill. The experimental plant they have been operating for some time has demonstrated that thousands upon thousands of tons can be made to pay a good profit by the means of cyanide. At the little mill they have been working no rollers or crushers were attached and as a consequence all rock hoisted from the property was thrown into the tanks, the weighing being as high as 50 pounds or more, the size being too large for this process to handle. But with the crushers now ordered no trouble will be experienced. The machinery will arrive the coming week, and it is only a question of a few weeks before the plant will be running at full blast.

Miller and Nesbit have their cyanide plant now complete and ready for operation. The ore bins are all filled with rock that has come from the Pharmacist dump and the trial run will be made the first of the coming week. These mill men have secured leases on the Pharmacist, Acacia and Free Coal mine dumps and they now figure that every pound of rock will run in the neighborhood of from \$8 to \$10 per ton. As they can treat \$5 ore at a small profit it looks as if they will have a pretty good thing out of the three dumps.

President and General Manager Erismann of the Blue Flag Mining company has returned to the district and is now prepared financially to thoroughly develop his properties. The old shaft on the Blue Flag which is 75 feet in depth is to be enlarged and will be at once equipped with an up-to-date cage. This company has also purchased a good plant of machinery and this will be installed as quickly as possible on the property that joins the Joe Dandy vein or ore shoot. A shipment of 40 tons of ore of \$20 ore was sent out yesterday from this company's property. It was broken in a level run out at the 100-foot point.

Hannigan Brothers and Mates, operating on the Whisper shaft of the Gold Sovereign company will send out a two-carload shipment, one of coarse rock and the other screenings that is expected to average around the \$50 mark to the ton. This shipment will go out tomorrow. These lessees have recently opened up the shoot of ore that gives promise to be better than anything found on this property for some time. Godsey Trumbull & Co., operating the LaBell claim of the Golden Cycle company sent out a shipment of 22 tons this week. Returns were received of \$60 value to the ton. Yesterday another shipment of screenings left the property and will run around the \$30 mark to the ton. This lease is looking remarkably good at the present time.

Gus Johnson and associates who are leasing on a block of the Pharmacist ground today sent out their regular weekly shipment which consisted of two cars of \$40 ore. Other lessees on this property that are shipping make a total output from the property of from 6 to 7 cars of ore a week.

## ANOTHER RICH STRIKE REPORTED FROM GRANITE.

Reports have reached the city of a rich strike in the Granite district on property in which Colorado Springs and Pittsburgh capital is interested.

The strike was made on the property of the Pacific Mining & Milling company in the Granite district near Leadville.

While sinking on the Gopher claim on this company a new cross vein was encountered at a depth of less than 100 feet. The new vein shows about 15 inches of mineral which is liberally sprinkled with free gold. The vein on which the company was sinking at the time carries a streak of very high grade ore and a large amount of pay mill stuff. It is proposed to continue sinking the shaft until another 100 feet of depth is attained when two levels will be run and the two veins already disclosed will be explored fully. From present indications it looks like the Gopher will soon become a shipper.

## ROYAL MINING CO. OPENS RICH ORE IN TUNNEL.

On Monday of this week, when the shots in the Royal tunnel on Sultan mountain near Silverton, were put in at the 1,400-foot mark, a 30-inch vein of ore was encountered and the King vein exposed at a depth of 900 feet. Drifting to the south on the vein where the larger and better ore has been developed by upper workings is now in order and at the same time the tunnel will be pushed on ahead 200 feet to where the second and more prominent claim of the company, known as the Mazepa, will be cut at a depth of 1,000 or more feet.

The ore is a quartz filled with a fine galena and copper and while the same is not of sufficient value to make a shipping product just at the point of intersection of tunnel, it is very desirable milling ore. The company during the prosecution of the long tunnel has from time to time been doing a little work in the upper tunnels near the surface and has shipped some 14 car-loads of high grade copper-silver ore during the past summer, but now that the vein is accessible and convenient from below will confine all efforts to drifting and upraising where the winter's inclemency cannot prevent the energy of an enterprising people.

## NEW MINING COMPANY BUYS GROUP IN GEORGETOWN DIST.

The Capital Prize Mining company last Saturday made full payment for the valuable group which the company has been developing under lease and bond. The recent owners, Mrs. Maggie Bullock, Louis Bacchieri and the Bank of Clear Creek county, had bonded their interests to John Hite, who managed the group until a few months ago, when William Cooper was appointed manager.

A shaft sunk from a tunnel level is now down about 250 feet, and the property is showing hopefully as depth is reached. It is the general opinion of mining men that this shaft working will develop large bodies of gold-copper ore. The group is within the Georgetown city limits.

## CAR SHORTAGE CAUSES TROUBLE TO PORTLAND.

According to the Cripple Creek Times the management of the Portland Gold Mining company is in dire straits. Such a condition as now confronts the head of that monster corporation has seldom ever before occurred. It is simply impossible for the Portland people to get cars in anything like sufficient number to send to their own mill the quantity of rock that it would be profitable to have bedded. Outside of the bedding

# CRIPPLE CREEK SUMMARY

The properties of the Lexington Gold Mining company on Gold hill, which have been inactive for some time, are again being operated by lessees. The main workings on the Clara D. have been leased to Potvin & Co., who are now engaged in repairing the ore house. They expect to begin shipping shortly. Sam McDonald, superintendent of the Strong and El Paso mines, has leased the old Kirk block on the south end of the Clara D. and is getting ready to install machinery and work the claim. The Jeff Davis of the same company has been leased to Barber & Shidell, who are now prospecting with a small force.

The apex suit between the Sedan and Sunshine companies, which had twice been adjourned, was finally heard at the rate of six weeks has been set for next hearing Dec. 15. The parties to the suit have already spent nearly \$50,000 in litigation. The first hearing resulted in a disagreement of the jury. In the second trial after the evidence was all in, one of the jurors was convicted of contempt of court in soliciting a bribe and is now serving a sentence in the county jail. A mistrial resulted.

President Burns of the Portland Mining company, operating the Seward and Sunshine companies, which had twice been adjourned, is to be held over for a second hearing Dec. 15. The parties to the suit have already spent nearly \$50,000 in litigation.

The La Montaigne Mining & Leasing company, operating on block 8 of school section 16, is sending out steady shipments of medium grade ore. At the 450-foot level a drift has been extended about sixty feet on the vein. It carries over two feet of pay rock.

The Cripple Creek Enterprise Gold Mining company, operating on the townsite of Cripple Creek, has a good showing at a depth of 135 feet. At this depth a vein has been encountered, and assays on the rock run all the way from \$2.40 to better than \$10 per ton. Superintendent Hanley believes that an ore shoot will be found on the vein when drifts are extended.

A small force of miners are employed on the Londoner in proving up the apex of the vein, which is in controversy between the Wild Horse, owned by the United Mines company, and the Londoner. The suit will be called at the next term of court.

A jury is now being secured in the district court for the third apex suit of the Sunshine vs. the Sedan.

The usual production of from 60 to 80 tons a day is being made from the Mary McKinney. The greater portion of the ore is coming from the north end of the Mary McKinney lode, where an ore body varying in width from 30 to 72 feet in width has been opened up for a distance of over 600 feet. The average grade is about \$35 per ton.

In an up-grade at the 1,000-foot level on the Mary McKinney, a vein is being obtained running as high as \$50 to the ton.

The directors of the United Mines and Gold Coin companies declared their final dividend for the year Monday. The dividend for the United Mines company is at the usual rate of one cent a share, amounting to \$40,000. This dividend will make the total for the year \$392,353, which includes the sum paid by the New Zealand and Consolidated Mines companies prior to the merger. The United Mines will head the list of dividend-payers of Cripple Creek district this year. The amount paid by the Gold Coin is also one cent a share, and totals \$26,000.

The ore which is now being shipped from Stratton's Cripple Creek Mining and Development company's ground is of higher grade than for months past. The best showing is probably on the American Eagles on Bull hill, where a wide body of medium grade ore has been drifted on for a distance of several hundred feet. On the Abe Lincoln, in Poverty gulch, the streak of high grade which is averaging in carload lots about \$7.5 a ton is nearly two feet wide. The rock shows sylvanite in abundance.

A lease was granted Monday from surface to the depth of the Ophelia tunnel on the south end of the Ironmaster vein to Sam W. Vider. This ground adjoins the Mary McKinney and is known to carry the extension of the vein which has made the last named property famous. The lessee is reported to have strong backing, and under the conditions of the lease will start to sink shafts at a place to be designated by the company's surveyor.

Michael B. Burke, who has secured a bond and lease of the Henry Adney lode, on the northwest slope of Beacon hill, awarded a contract today for 300 feet of sinking. A new shaft 4x8 in the clear will be sunk to the level and then crosscuts will be run to the north extension of the C. K. and N. vein, which has been opened up on the Raasler by Grenfell and associates. Mr. Burke, who is one of the old-time prospectors of the district, is confident that the north extension of this shoot will be found richer and wider than further down the hill.

Deitzel & Wilson, leasing on the north side of the Theresa, have now drilled about 60 feet on from three to four feet of the ore that is running in carload lots about \$30 a ton. The coarse rock does not carry much value and about the only saying that is being made is from the screenings.

Alex Hickman, leasing on the south end of the Sheriff on Raven hill, started saving ore Monday morning. At a depth of 26 feet there is a showing of over three feet of quartz that assays from \$10 to \$25 a ton. Hickman is an old prospector of the camp and it looks as though he had finally struck it rich.

C. J. Garvin, superintendent of the Portland, has sent in his resignation. It is the intention of this well known expert to stay in the camp. The name of his successor is not yet known, but from an authentic source it is stated that Thomas Fitzgerald has been offered the position, but has not yet answered. Mr. Fitzgerald has been in the camp for eight years and was formerly superintendent of the Lilly on Battle mountain. Later he worked this mine at a profit under the leasing system. Before coming to Cripple Creek he had charge of good mines at Aspen. In all probability he will accept the position.

It is generally believed by miners and lessees in this section of the camp that the greater portion of Stratton's estate will be leased soon after the first of the year. More than 1,000 applications have already been sent in to the executors of the will for blocks of the undeveloped ground.

The Valley City company sent out four cars of mill ore this week, consigned to one of the Florence plants.

The following shipments were sent out by car on the Valentine estate this week: Paul Lantz, from shaft No. 2, 20 tons of \$40 ore; the Banner lease on block No. 7, a car of \$60 screenings; Dalzell & Wilson, from block No. 1, 2 cars of \$40 ore.

Potvin & Mitterer made their initial shipment from the main workings on the Clara D. Friday. They have saved about 20 tons from the old stopes that they estimate to be worth \$50 a ton.

Forty cars of medium grade ore was shipped by the Findley company Wednesday.

Lessee McKinsey on the Whip Poor Will on Bull hill shipped 20 tons of \$40 ore Friday.

The Valley City Gold Mining company, operating on the Shurhoff No. 2, under a \$150,000 bond and lease, has not yet paid for the property, although a few weeks ago the manager stated that the money would be within a few days, as the owing in the last few weeks was so good that it would not continue paying royalties to John Nolan of this city and Jake Becker of Mantoloking, the owners. At the bottom or 600-foot level a blacksmith shop, 12x18 feet, has been built and fully equipped for immediate use. The tunnel has been cleared out and a drift along the vein will be immediately extended. A round of holes in the breast was recently discharged to expose a fresh looking rock, and it resulted in disclosing a body of quartz four feet wide, showing some alluvium galena. The men who examined the rock, and who are thoroughly familiar with the Colorado Central lode, are highly pleased with the appearance of the quartz in the breast of the tunnel.

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These financiers combined various earning properties and endeavored to give them form by incorporating them as one company. The printing press was ready to issue the stock the easy laws of states authorized. A stroke of the pen made the stock value of corporations \$100,000,000, and the printing press furnished the certificates.

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CONDENSED NEWS  
For Busy Readers.

Fair Thursday except probably snow in northeast portion. Friday warmer. Tone of the New York stock market improved, though business was light. Prices at close were higher. Money on call firm, 60 per cent., closed at 6 per cent. Silver 43¢. Mexican dollars 38¢. Copper 10¢. For standard; \$1.65 for lake lead, 44¢.

STATE NEWS.

Governor Orman granted James Brennan a pardon for a Christmas present. Brennan was serving a life sentence at Canon City.

Secretary of State Miles received a gold headed cane from the employees of his office.

Mike Lee of Red Cliff, froze to death while drunk.

President Roosevelt will visit Denver about the middle of March.

Six persons were killed and two others injured in a Colorado & Southern freight wreck two miles north of Trinidad last evening.

LOCAL NEWS.

Frank A. Waters of this city, father of Diana Waters, the actress, says he has received no notice of her engagement to Frederick Gebhart.

Fourteen prisoners in city and county jail will eat Christmas dinner at public expense.

Sheriff Gilbert presented each of his deputies with a new hat.

Judge Orr approved sale of the Stratton block of Finsbury stock at 10% cents a share to W. W. Price.

Denver police noticed Sheriff Gilbert that Carl Epple is in custody there, having in possession goods taken from the Walker store at Monument.

All local churches have special Christmas exercises today.

Fire laddies had a good time last night at their annual social session.

Candles on a Christmas tree at the People's mission on West Huernan, ignited some cotton batting. A panic almost ensued.

The State Teachers association adjourned yesterday. F. H. Clark of Central City, was elected president.

H. Harry Stratton and Miss Josephine A. Larabee were married yesterday at Oshkosh, Wis. They will reside here.

City Treasurer Voorhees has brought suit against City Auditor Harris for criminal libel in connection with recent charges against Mr. Voorhees' conduct of his office.

Major Harry was placed under bond by Judge Rader last night.

Five lodgings are being placed in the new Y. M. C. A. building.

Ice is unsafe at Prospect lake and skating is prohibited.

Janitor W. H. Duncan treated court house attaches to a taste of excellent punch of his own brew.

Sheriff's office has taken possession of 15 head of cattle on Pete Becker's ranch on constraint for taxes.

The man who imposed upon the Anders hotel and others in this city under name of P. Cooper, the cartoonist, is at San Antonio, Texas.

NEWS IN GENERAL.

Zero weather prevailed all over Kansas last night.

Clyde Felt, the boy who confessed killing aged Samuel Collins at the latter's request, was dismissed at Salt Lake by request of the district attorney. Felt may never be placed on trial.

The Silverton cable-laying steamer expects to reach Honolulu on Friday morning.

Montana supreme court has decided the famous Pennsylvania mining case against F. A. Helmaz.

Explosion of a gasoline tank in a Hot Springs saloon killed several and injured many other persons.

General Miles has instituted some inquiries in the Philippines on charges of cruelty to natives.

Robbers at Surprise, Neb., blew open a bank and got \$20,000.

Several New York police officers charged with neglect of duty at the time of the riot at funeral of Rabbi Joseph, have been found not guilty.

A fierce blizzard has been raging in Michigan and trains on all roads are from three to five hours late.

The entire state of Wisconsin is in the grip of icy weather, and many sections have been swept by a blizzard. Snow covers the ground and the temperature has been falling steadily for 24 hours. In northern Wisconsin the drifting snow is impeding railroad traffic.

The president's family will all be at the White house today; turkeys will be presented to all employees of the executive mansion.

Governor Longino of Mississippi, issued a proclamation offering \$50 reward for the arrest and conviction of any person who shall be found to have either of the counties of Leflore, Amite, Franklin or Pike. Hundreds of negro residents have been ordered to leave these counties probably by "white cap" organizations.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Dispatch from Winnipeg, Canada, says the women school teachers of the Portage La Prairie schools except one are out on strike for higher wages.

Many Haytian exiles are preparing to return to Hayti on proclamation of amnesty soon expected.

Government employees of Hayti are claiming for salaries long delayed.

French officials have decided on plans to reorganize and protect against violence of the Humberts now under arrest.

Advice from Rome state that the pope is in good health.

Crown Princess of Saxony is at Geneva. It is said she has the sympathy of most of the people at Dresden.

Condition of Russian winter crops is said to be very bad.

Marconi sent messages from Glace Bay, N. S., to Fodlu, Cornwall, in Italian language.

General Reyes, Mexican minister of war, has resigned.

MINING

Yesterday was the best day in many weeks on the local mining stock market. Gains were made all along the line. Brokers are jubilant over the outlook.

Statement to stockholders of the Golden Cycle M. Co. was sent out yesterday showing receipt for October \$41,732.07, and a surplus on November 1, 1902, of \$30,787.77.

President Whalen of the Central Consolidated Mines Co., reports a change in character and increase in value of the ore in a crosscut in the third level, recently opened.

Lessons on the Unexpected of the Consolidated Mine set out two carloads to the Colorado City plant which is expected to give good value.

Property of the Criollo Creek & Colorado Mining Co. is expected to resume work after the holidays.

The success of A. H. Heller in his use of asphalt at the Aragon mill means much for the Columbia Creek district.

Lucas, Robertson and others working on the Buckskin claim of the German-American are making good use.

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## WOLCOTT'S CAMPAIGN IS PETERING OUT

Bill Stapleton and Brady Hold the Barrel--They Are Taking the Money for Themselves and the Other Wolcott Followers Are Kicking.

Special to the Gazette.

Denver, Dec. 24.—There is every sign that the Wolcott campaign is entirely petering out. A week ago his followers were claiming 15 votes, but now it is conceded he has only 6 votes outside of Arapahoe county.

The methods of the Wolcott campaign make it difficult for any decent man to support the ex-senator, the Democratic editor of the Denver Republican and the supporter of every boodler in Denver, and Henry Brady, the ex-melter of the mint, are swaggering around boasting that they have enough votes to elect Wolcott on the first ballot.

Stapleton and Brady are said to have charge of the Wolcott barrel, and his organization has gone completely to pieces.

## GENERAL MILES INSTITUTES INQUIRIES AS TO CRUELTY

By Associated Press.

Manila, Dec. 24.—Several official inquiries into charges of alleged cruelty to natives by soldiers are at present progressing throughout the islands. Some of these cases have been investigated previously.

When General Miles was at Lipa, in the province of Batangas, Lipa, he received information laid charges before him that during the campaign of reconcentration, American soldiers had committed acts of cruelty and violence.

General Miles referred the matters to General Davis and the latter detailed Colonel Morris C. Foote of the Twenty-ninth Infantry to investigate. Colonel Morris C. Foote found the charges of violence to be untrue, but it is believed he found in some cases that the water cure had been administered. His report will be sent to Washington.

While General Miles was in the islands Major Hunter brought him to report on the Fifteenth cavalry reported to him certain charges which had been brought against Captain Robert L. Howe of the Sixth cavalry when in command at Laog, North Ilocos, Luzon, in 1900. At the time specified Captain Howe was Lieutenant colonel of the Thirty-fourth volunteer infantry.

Major Hunter said that native officials of Laog had whipped certain prisoners, two of whom died from the effects of this treatment. At the time of this alleged occurrence Major Hunter was serving at Laog; he reported the matter in a letter to Governor Taft, who informed General MacArthur. Captain Howe denied the charges, and whose trial will be continued here in January. Major Glenn, however, was in no way connected with the Augustin case.

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## SEVEN PERSONS KILLED IN WRECK NEAR TRINIDAD

Special to the Gazette.

Trinidad, Dec. 24.—A disastrous freight wreck occurred on the Colorado & Southern at 6:30 o'clock this evening, about two miles north of here in which seven men were killed and two others seriously injured.

The dead are:

ELMER PEARCE, engineer.  
M. McDermott, brakeman.  
J. FOX, fireman.

J. W. GOLDTRAP, engineer.

KING, machinist.

Freeman, name unknown.

Brakeman, name unknown.

The injured:

Preston Gilbert, tramp, badly bruised.

The two trains came together on a sharp curve, the men having not the slightest chance of escape. Freight train No. 28, consisting of 40 loaded cars of coal, south bound, in charge of Conductor Harryman and Engineer Goldtrap, were coming into Trinidad, the division point at the rate of 30 miles an hour. The express engine, No. 478, pulled by Elmer Pearce, and in charge of Conductor Brown, consisted of 14 cars loaded with meat, and pulled out of the yards without orders, connecting to meet passenger train No. 2 at Poncha, and entirely overlooked the fact that No. 28 was ahead of the passenger. The trains met on one of the most perilous points on the road.

Fourteen cars of coal on No. 28 are a complete wreck, while seven of the merchandise cars on the extra were demolished. Both engines are badly wrecked.

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Wreckers are working, but the victims still remaining cannot be recovered before the wreck behind is cleared and the track relaid.

## WHITE HOUSE EMPLOYES WILL RECEIVE TURKEYS

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 24.—The President's family will be together at the White house to spend Christmas. The family will have a tree, but will exchange presents in the morning in the library. They will go to Captain Cowles' house later to take lunch with Captain and Mrs. Cowles. In the afternoon the president and Mrs. Roosevelt probably will go riding. Dinner will be served in the state dining room in the evening, and the following guests will be present: Senator and Mrs. Lodge, John Lodge, Captain and Mrs. Cowles, John Elliott of New York, Mrs. Charles Henry Davis, Miss Davis and the Messrs. Davis.

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## CABLE TO REACH HONOLULU DAY LATE FOR CHRISTMAS

By Associated Press.

San Francisco, Dec. 24.—The yellow cablegram was received from the cable ship Silverton this afternoon. It is dated at noon today.

"During the last 24 hours 217 knots of cable have been paid out from the Silverton, bringing the total to date to 1,894 knots. The weather is cloudy and a strong westerly breeze is blowing. The last change of tanks will be made this evening, that is, the third section of the cable between San Francisco and Honolulu will be spliced to the second, and will reel out until the vessel arrives off Diamondhead, Honolulu.

It will then be spliced to the Honolulu land cable and the work of laying the cable completed and cable communication between San Francisco and Honolulu established. We expect to arrive off Honolulu some time on Friday morning."

## THE FAMOUS PENNSYLVANIA MINING CASE OF MONTANA

By Associated Press.

Helena, Mont., Dec. 24.—The famous Pennsylvania mining case was decided by the supreme court today. The case involved bankers and others to lend millions to the Humberts. The nature of the legal proceedings has not yet been definitely settled. The statement in the extradition papers that the accused are charged with kidnapping and irregular bankruptcy proceedings gives a general outline of the lines of prosecution. The creditors are chiefly interested in recovering the remnant of their assets and plans are on foot for a meeting of the creditors with a view to arranging an equitable division.

The arrest of Madame Balazzani, the friend of Romain D'Aurignac, at Buenaventura, Colombia, was part of the government's energetic plans to apprehend the fugitives. She was not connected with the affair but it was supposed here that her departure for Buenos Ayres indicated that Romain D'Aurignac and other members of the Humbert family were in that part of the world.

M. Henrion, chief of detectives, who has gone to Madrid is accompanied by four civil guards, four police inspectors and two of the best detectives in the service. It is expected they will occupy the special car with the prisoners whose arrival is awaited in Paris with intense interest. The affair continues to be the universal topic for discussion and even affects the Christmas rejoicing, many of the holiday novel-

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The case may be carried to the supreme court of the United States.

## NEW YORK POLICE OFFICERS WERE FOUND NOT GUILTY

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 24.—Police Commissioner Purdy today rendered his decision in the case of Inspector Adam Cross, Captain John D. Herlin and Captain Charles Albertson, who were charged with neglect of duty growing out of the trial at the funeral of the rabbi Joseph. The commissioners found the defendants not guilty, and dismissed the complaint.

## ROBBERS WRECKED THE SAFE AND GOT THE BANK'S CASH

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Surprise, Neb., Dec. 24.—Robbers last night blew open the safe of the Surprise State bank and secured \$3,000 cash. The men worked a hole into the vault from the rear of the building and placed an explosive in the aperture which blew open the side of the safe and tore a large hole in the side of the building. Bloodhounds have been following the fleeing robbers all day.

## VANDERBILT WILL GET WELL

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 24.—On leaving the Vanderbilt residence at 10:45 tonight Dr. Austin Flint said:

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By Associated Press.

Sault Ste. Marie, Dec. 24.—At the request of the district attorney today, Judge Morse dismissed the case against Clyde Feit, the self-confessed killer of aged Samuel Collins, and it is probable that Feit will never be heard in court. Feit, a boy of but 15 years, confessed that he cut Collins' throat at the latter's request in a cave-on Ensign peak last March. The case, in its various phases of moral degeneracy, became a famous one.

## ZERO IN KANSAS.

By Associated Press.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 24.—Zero weather prevails all over Kansas tonight. The cold is more severe than at any time this winter, a strong wind is blowing from the north, and there are indications of snow.

## STATE CANVASSING BOARD ENDS ITS WORK

Seats Cooper, Republican, of San Juan--According to Certificates Issued Democrats Will Have Majority of Ten on Joint Ballot.

By Associated Press.

Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 24.—An explosion of gas

# LATE TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

## BLOCKADE OF VENEZUELAN PORTS IS MADE EFFECTIVE

(By Associated Press Exclusively to the Gazette in Colorado Springs.)  
Caracas, Dec. 20.—A notification that the blockade of Venezuelan ports by the allied powers would be made effective today, was transmitted to the Venezuelan government this morning by the British consul at La Guaira. The announcement was not expected and caused a commercial panic. The rate of exchange on the two powers fell. The people here are still in ignorance of the answer of the allied governments to the proposal to arbitrate the Venezuelan differences. The government has knowledge of the answer through the United States legation, but it is puzzled by the wording and cannot understand why, if Germany and Great Britain have accepted the arbitration proposal, the blockade should be made effective the same day their acceptance is announced.

The French chargé d'affaires, M. Quivereux, this morning delivered to the Venezuelan government request that in the event of a settlement of the claims of other powers being made, France be accorded equally favorable treatment.

Mme. von Pilgrim-Baltazzi, the wife of the German chargé d'affaires, left for La Guaira today to rejoin her husband. She is still an invalid and had to be transported on a bed from the German legation to the railway station. Minister Bowen and the staff of the legation escorted her to the train. The minister officials have shown Mme. von Pilgrim-Baltazzi great courtesies.

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La Guaira, Dec. 20.—The Trinidad schooners, Mercedes and Inaculada, belonging to a French subject, but flying the Venezuelan flag, tried to leave this port today and were seized by the British cruiser Tribune. A commission boarded the Tribune and explained to her commander that no notification of the blockade had been given before the schooners cleared, and asserted that the cargo belonged to foreign subjects. The commander of the Tribune refused to release the Mercedes and Inaculada, saying that he was obeying orders. The commander of the Tribune today sent to the British consul for publication the official announcement of the blockade, coming from today. According to the notification, the ports of La Guaira, Carenico, Guatopo, and the mouth of the Orinoco, are placed under the supervision of the British naval forces. The British cruiser Retribution and the United States cruiser Albany left today at noon.

The German chargé d'affaires, Herr von Pilgrim-Baltazzi, spent two hours on shore here today. He was recognized, but was not molested.

### POWERS ASK PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TO ARBITRATE.

Washington, Dec. 20.—President Roosevelt has proposed to the allied powers that the Venezuelan dispute be submitted to the arbitration of The Hague tribunal. The powers have replied with a counter proposal that President Roosevelt himself arbitrate the issues.

These were the developments over night in the Venezuelan matter and they seem to justify the prediction made in these despatches that the critical point has been passed. President Roosevelt does not wish to act as arbitrator in this dispute, for as is felt, he has no right to do so, according to the question between the European powers. It is thought that Great Britain and Italy are rather inclined to dispute the right of France prior settlement of claims arising prior to 1899.

### THE REQUEST TO ROOSEVELT EMANATED FROM GERMANY.

(By Associated Press.) London, Dec. 20.—It is confirmed here that an invitation has been sent to President Roosevelt to arbitrate in the Venezuelan difficulty. It seems that the proposal to submit the matter to the president's arbitration emanated from the German government. The foreign office here says it has the strongest reasons for believing that President Roosevelt will decline to act as arbitrator.

Still, rather than see the present dispute proceed to extremes, it is probable that the president will reluctantly assume the duties of arbitrator. It is fully realized that any decision rendered by him in that capacity will be sure to bring to him the enmity of one or the other of the parties to the controversy and this fact was pointed out to the president early in the week by a leading senator who had been called into the consultation. No proposal, however, bloodshed and the destruction of property and interference with the great commercial interests that would result in this, it is believed, that the president would assume the charge, providing his own view cannot prevail.

An important fact developed today is that the punitive measure about to be instituted, and in fact now in force in some degree, will not be suspended by the allies until a definite agreement is reached as to arbitration.

Venezuela has also been told through Minister Bowen that the president would welcome a reference of the dispute to The Hague tribunal. While no direct reply has been received, it is not doubted that the reply would be favorable if the other parties consented to such reference.

If an agreement is reached on arbitration, the procedure would be for Mr. Bowen, representing Venezuela as a plenipotentiary, to sign with the representative of the allies a protocol stating that the case is to be submitted to arbitration; that Venezuela admits the right of diplomatic intervention in behalf of a claimant and that the details of the arbitration shall be arranged in a formal treaty which she pledges herself to sign. This treaty will provide in the greatest detail for the security of foreign interests against vexatious and extortionate interference on the part of the Venezuelan government hereafter, and will insure the administration of justice in the case as Mr. Whayne's life insurance policies aggregating \$300,000 had applied for \$50,000. Among the policies carried by Mr. Whayne were the following: Equitable Life Assurance society of New York, \$200,000; Provident Savings Life Assurance society of New York, \$120,000; Union Central Life, \$10,000; New York Life, \$5,000; Northwestern Mutual Life, \$5,000.

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It is known what steps the insurance companies will take. Several New York detectives are here. A part of the \$300,000 insurance is incontestable.

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(By Associated Press.) San Francisco, Dec. 20.—"The Owl," train which left here at 4:30 p. m. for Los Angeles was run into tonight near Byron Hot Springs, 70 miles from the city, by the Stockton local train. Ten or more people were killed and about 30 or more seriously injured. The killed and injured were riding in the rear car, which was filled with passengers for Fresno. Owing to the remoteness of the point where the disaster occurred the details are meager. The killed are still lying under the wrecks of the engine and cars. Their names have not yet been ascertained. Twenty-seven injured have been removed to the Byron Springs hotel. Relief trains are hastening to the wreck. One of the bells, the first tolled this morning, was engraved with the name of Mrs. Julia Dent Grant, who assisted in securing the chimes during the pastorale of the late Bishop Newman at the Metropolitan church.

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engine breaking down. A brakeman was sent about half a mile down the track to flag the Stockton local, which was following and which left Oakland mole half an hour after the disabled train. The engineer of the following train answered the signals of the flagman, but for some reason not yet known he rushed his train along, uttering disregarding the danger signals and crashed into the rear car of the disabled train.

### APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE GOVERNOR ELECT.

(Special to the Gazette.) Denver, Dec. 20.—Governor-elect Peabody today distributed a number of Christmas gifts in the form of announcement of forthcoming appointments to office under his administration. These seasonable gifts were as follows:

State dairy commissioner, Mrs. Mary Wright, Denver.  
Oil Inspector, H. W. Hamm, Denver.

Game and fish commissioner, J. M. Woodward, Pueblo.  
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Commissioner of mines, E. L. White, Telluride.

Boat inspector, Charles Taylor, Denver.  
Surgeon general, National Guard, Peter Oliver Hanford, El Paso.

It is understood that William Busch, one of the present deputies in the game and fish commissioner's office, will be retained.

### BODY OF MRS. U. S. GRANT PLACED IN SACOPHAGUS.

(By Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 20.—The body of Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant lies tonight in the great red granite sarcophagus in which the remains of her husband rest.

On the arrival of the funeral train at Jersey City, the casket, piled high with flowers, was borne on the shoulders of six men on board the quarter-master department's steamer, General Meigs, detachment of U. S. Grant post, G. A. R., and the committee of the Grant Memorial association, which accompanied the funeral party from Washington, acting as escort. The body was placed in a bier on the forward deck of the Meigs, which started immediately up the river, bound for the tomb. The members of the funeral party proceeded direct to the Fifth Avenue hotel.

On reaching the landing place, the casket was transferred to a hearse and taken to the tomb, the route being lined with double ranks of police. The body was placed in the sarcophagus without any ceremony, in the presence of U. S. Grant, Jr., the members of the escort and a little group of officials, and the massive lid, which weighs about five tons, was quickly lowered and sealed in place.

The services tomorrow morning will begin at 11 o'clock and will not last over 15 minutes. They will be conducted jointly by Bishop E. G. Andrews and Rev. Alexander Mackay Smith. Two hymns will be sung by a quartet under the direction of Horatio C. King.

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shrie to return immediately to France for trial. She informed the court when told that the trial was likely to be delayed and said that she and the other members of the family had made up their minds to disclose the truth and to "confound the authors of their misfortunes."

M. Humbert and Romain D'Aurignac are confined in a separate room. They also say that they desire to return to France and assert that their only object in taking flight was to escape imprisonment during the preliminary investigation of the affair. They said they intended to return eventually for trial.

### RAILROAD MEN ASK FOR INCREASE OF PAY.

(By Associated Press.)

Chicago, Dec. 20.—Through the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and the Order of Railway Conductors, 100,000 men employed by the railroads of the west presented requests for increases in pay. Committees representing the organizations came to this city and made arrangements for sessions at different hotels. The committees will meet the railroad officials during the weekend and will present their demands to the railroads through the same methods of procedure which brought success to the engineers and firemen employed by the Chicago & North Western road. There is practically no danger of a strike of trainmen or conductors, but their demands are more radical than those made by the engineers and firemen in some instances.

The men are asking for an increase of approximately 20 per cent.

The men who claim membership in the organizations that are presenting the requests are freight and passenger conductors, brakemen, collectors and members of the train crews.

The switchmen, who are also members of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, made their demands for an increase early in October, and received it from the roads in the Chicago switching district. The demands are in accord with the decision taken by the railroad men at their convention in June. This decision was ratified by a referendum vote and the demands were formulated.

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Washington, Dec. 20.—The official day closed without further developments here respecting the Venezuelan complications. The status of the arbitration proposition on which every one waits, was that, with a willingness to accept such a solution in principle, not one of the allies was ready to submit unreservedly to arbitration; in each case there were reservations or conditions insisted upon. Respecting the method of arbitration if it should come to that, the feeling is growing that The Hague tribunal should undertake the task.

Mr. Bowen, it is reported, wishes to come to Washington in order to personally effect an adjustment with the resident ambassadors of the allies, but while the state department makes no statement upon the point, it is believed that it does not regard this plan with favor.

It is pointed out here, in connection with the project to refer the matter to The Hague tribunal that in some cases the disputes will not admit of arbitration. Such is the case, for instance, where attacks on British and German subjects have made the Venezuelan government unable to make a settlement of the dispute without the intervention of the allies.

The Hague tribunal could not arbitrate such issues, but it is pointed out at the state department that if the claims are divisible and that if President Castro chooses to render the necessary apologies for the remaining questions can properly go to The Hague.

It is believed the government inclines to the view that there is a disposition to insist needlessly on guarantees for the payment by Venezuela of any judgment which might be rendered against her. It is believed that the voice of enlightened public opinion would adequately insure a settlement of any judgment rendered by the August tribunal that President Castro would not be sustained by a single American country in defaulting.

(By Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 20.—In a dispatch from Berlin, the correspondent of the Times again points out the unreasonableness of the suspicion that Germany is plotting to acquire territory in South America. The correspondent says it might be pointed out that Great Britain would, in any event, have adopted measures during the present winter to secure satisfaction from Venezuela and that Germany although she also had the same intention only suggested joint action after becoming aware of the intended British operations.

"The peril of the situation," continues the correspondent, "is not so much that it might lead to immediate friction with America, but it may eventually entail the realization of the new popular German ambition of exercising a kind of general diplomatic control or inspection where purely Anglo-American relations are concerned."

Lord Charles Beresford has just returned from a visit to Germany. In a letter published in the Times this morning he expresses the opinion that a greater part of Germany disapproves of the Venezuelan matter and says he thinks it would have been much better had the two nations acted independently.

(By Associated Press.)

Omaha, Dec. 19.—A partial list of those who will be pensioned by the Union Pacific railroad after January 1, was made public today. The list which is

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### PERMANENT COLORADO BUILDING AT ST. LOUIS.

Denver, Dec. 20.—Captain Thatcher of the World's fair board received the following telegram today: "Ground and building committee has received draft of ordinance prepared by mayor to cover location of permanent buildings in Forest Park and reports no objection on the part of the committee. David R. Francis."

For some time negotiations have been pending with the city of St. Louis for the erection of a permanent building upon the Colorado site. The Colorado commissioners hold that if a permanent building was erected the city of St. Louis would keep it in repair. The ordinance as prepared by the mayor has this provision in it and the report that there is no objection indicates that such a building will be erected with the understanding that it will be kept in repair by that city.

The World's fair board held a short session today during which routine business was transacted, and adjourned until Saturday of next week. The magnitude of the St. Louis exposition will be much greater than most of the people imagine. The following statements as prepared by those in charge of the exposition will give some idea as to what it will be.

The St. Louis World's fair will be approximately twice as big as our former International exposition. The Centennial exposition at Philadelphia covered 336 acres, the Paris exposition 365, the Columbian exposition at Chicago 633, the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo 350 acres and the St. Louis World's fair will cover 1,400.

The construction costs of the Paris exposition was \$9,000,000, the Columbian exposition \$18,322,000, the Pan-American exposition cost \$10,000,000 and the estimated cost of the St. Louis World's fair will be \$40,000,000.

"Before the exposition gates are opened May 1, 1903, the city of St. Louis will have expended the enormous sum of \$20,000,000. Of this amount \$5,000,000 was appropriated through the municipal assembly. Her citizens raised \$5,000,000 additional by private subscription and by popular vote at a special election October 22."

**REDUCTION COMPANY**—Among the articles of incorporation filed with the secretary of state today were papers for the Colorado Reduction company at Cripple Creek. The company is incorporated for \$250,000. The incorporators are Fred J. Hutchinson of Boston, J. C. Bunch of Chicago, H. H. Faugeron, F. J. Alexander and R. H. Fadden.

**LOST IN STORM**—A report from San Juan states that Rev. E. O. Butler, pastor of the Baptist church of that place, became lost during yesterday's storm and that up to noon today no news had been received from any of the church parties who were searching for him. He became lost while he was on a hunting trip.

**LAS ANIMAS RETURNS**—The state board of canvassers held a short session this afternoon and adjourned. It is thought that the corrected returns from Las Animas county will have been received by Monday, when the board will complete its work.

**GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE**—Governor-elect Peabody has leased the residence of the late Chas. B. Whitehead at 1128 Grant avenue, and is preparing to bring his family to Denver January 1. The residence which he has chosen is one of the finest on Capitol hill.

**INVITATION TO PRESIDENT**—Mayor Wright today sent the following telegram to President Roosevelt: "Denver, Colo., Dec. 20, 1902. To Theodore Roosevelt, President, Washington, D. C. On behalf of the city of Denver I cordially invite you to visit this city when on your contemplated trip to the Pacific coast the coming summer."

**LIVELY SESSION OF CANVASSING BOARD**

Denver, Dec. 22.—The state canvassing board today refused to reconsider the vote whereby Aguilar, the Democratic representative from Las Animas county was seated, but no action was taken on the San Juan contest. In refusing to reconsider the Las Animas vote, Attorney-General Post voted with Orman and Chipley against reconsideration.

As the house now stands, it will contain 23 Republicans, 31 Democrats and there is one in doubt, the doubt arising over the Whitelaw-Cooper contest. That contest is to be the battle ground before the board, as evidenced today by the fact that both sides introduced affidavits to prove the correctness of their claims. The original affidavits of the two returns from the counties which were returned to the county clerks for correction last week were again received by the board today. They contain the same figures as the ones previously received but the wording of them is changed to conform with the law.

The Democrats have prepared a long list of affidavits which were presented by Attorneys O'Donnell and Belford, while the Republicans were equally represented with affidavits presented by Attorney Hersey, B. W. Lockhart, the county clerk, who certified to the election of Cooper, the Republican contester, was present at the meeting and will be allowed to testify tomorrow. The affidavits presented today are entirely opposite in their declarations concerning the vote, in precinct nine of San Juan county. The most interesting affidavits presented were two which were signed by E. W. Hodges and S. E. Morse of Silverton, which declared that they overheard W. B. Watson make the statement that the returns from precinct nine were thrown out because this was all they cared for. Watson was one of the members of the county canvassing board who voted to throw out the returns from this precinct.

**CONDENSED NEWS OF THE STATE AND CAPITAL**

**PETITION FOR PARDON**—Fifteen prominent business men visited Governor Orman this morning and presented a petition asking for the pardon of A. H. Flood, who is serving a sentence in the Arapahoe county jail for murder. Flood was a prominent business man of this city.

**FOR SPEAKERSHIP**—Lewis S. Riley of Conejos and Archuleta counties has announced himself as candidate for speaker of the house, subject to the will of the Republican members elect.

He already has the support of Carter Hague of Conejos and Jose Sanchez of Huerfano. Mr. Riley was a member of the Thirteenth general assembly. He was one of the two men to be nominated by both political parties in his district.

**FULL PAID STOCK**—The Denver & Northwestern filed its certificate of full paid stock with the secretary of state this morning. The certificate states that the stock is placed at \$8,000,000, and that there are 6,000 shares at a par value of \$100 per share.

**REDUCING FORCE**—The St. Louis World's fair commissioners have dismissed the following employees: Harry Muiruk and Thomas Johnson, special commissioners, and Lem J. Smith, assistant secretary.

**STORM OVER THE**—The storm which raged over eastern and northern Colorado for the past few days is over, and the trains are again running on schedule time. Nearly all of the eastern trains were from 30 minutes to two hours late this morning, but this afternoon the roads are in good condition and the schedule time is being made.

**DEETZ SUGAR COMPANY**—The Deetz Sugar Industrial company organized at the meeting of the state board of canvassers this morning. It will erect a beet sugar factory at Brighton. It will also reclaim arid lands and will operate coal mines and oil wells.

The capital stock is \$100,000. The directors of the company are J. Fisher, J. W. Wilson, Lyman Booth, J. J. Brown and W. G. Wilson.

**SOLD HIS HEAD**—Arthur Jennings of Florence has sold his head to a medical college for \$3,000. One thousand

dollars was paid in cash and \$2,000 is to be paid to his relatives when he dies. When 3 years of age he was attacked with brain fever and his head grew to an abnormal size until he was 16 years old. It now measures 32 inches in circumference. This is something unheard of in the medical world, and the heard was very anxious to secure the specimen. Jennings operates a peanut stand in that city.

**FOUND HIS JEWELRY**—A very peculiar coincidence occurred in this city this morning. S. N. Weinberger runs a jewelry store in Idaho Springs, but at present is visiting in Denver. He received a telephone message from Idaho Springs this morning, telling him that his store had been robbed of considerable jewelry. Thinking he might recover his property he visited the pawn shop on Larimer street. When he entered Solomon's pawn shop he saw a man trying to sell some of the jewelry which he recognized as his own. After giving his name as J. Herbert of Idaho Springs. He stated that he found the jewelry.

**BOARD WANTING FOR SAN JUAN RETURNS**

Denver, Colo., Dec. 19.—The state canvassing board held a short session today and adjourned without doing any work. The board is awaiting the return of the corrected abstracts of San Juan county. Attorney-General Post emphatically denies the rumor that it has been told him that his son George could regain his present position in the state general's office if the two Republicans are seated from the contested districts. He also resents any insinuation that such a rumor has anything to do with his motion of yesterday to reconsider the vote which seated Aguilar. He spoke of the matter in very emphatic terms and stated that his every act as a member of the board was with the view of doing justice to both parties.

**IMMENSE SHIPMENT**—The largest freight consignment which was ever shipped to Denver at one time will be given arriving next week. It will consist of between 600 and 1,000 carloads of bar wire, wire nails, and other wire and steel goods. The consignment is being shipped by the American Steel and Wire company of New Jersey into Denver because of the low freight rates now prevailing. At present the rates are 22 cents per 100 pounds and after the first of the year it will be 72 cents per 100 pounds. By making this shipment at this time the company hopes to save about \$90,000. The company has rented a large warehouse at the corner of Twenty-fourth and Blake streets, where the goods will be stored. The western territory will be supplied from this city. It will take 24 trains to bring the consignment from New Jersey to Denver. The value of the shipment will far exceed \$1,000,000.

**APPEALED CASE**—The Iron Silver Mining company this morning appealed its case from the Arapahoe county circuit court to the supreme court. The case is to compel Secretary of State Mills to accept a renewal of the company's charter. Mills contends that the charter expired in 1900 and that the time limitation for renewal has expired and that the company should re-incorporate. The Arapahoe district court sustained Mills and the case was appealed today. The company was given a 20-year corporation in 1886. The claim of the company is that the time limitation law of the state does not apply to it because it is a foreign corporation.

**EARLY BLIZZARD**—A late report from Buena Vista, Colo., says: "A blizzard is raging at the Alpine tunnel today and traffic on the Gunnison branch of the Colorado & Southern railroad is at a standstill. Train No. 93 from Como is tied up at St. Elmo. The rotary snow plow has been ordered out to clear the entrance to the tunnel. This is the second storm this week and the snow is about two feet deep on the level in the valley. Zero weather prevails."

**GALLUP WILL CONTEST**—The trial of the contest over the will of Eliza Gallup opened before Judge Johnson this morning. The contestants are Ida Church Foster, Mary Church Culberson, Frank Church, Lizzie Blossom Stewart and Eddie Blossom. The beneficiaries under the will are Sarah Ann Curtiss and C. C. Curtiss. Mrs. Gallup died about a year ago leaving an estate of \$100,000. She named the two Curtisses as the sole heirs. The contestants are grand-nephews and grandnieces. They reside in New York and Ohio.

**SURRENDERED**—A report to the times from Las Animas says: "Cheroke Bill Smith, leader of the gang of outlaws who held up the postoffice at Carlton in Provores county several weeks ago, has surrendered and was brought to this place this afternoon." He had been hiding near there for the past week. He surrendered without any trouble. He will be taken to Lamar immediately.

**SHOOTING AT COMO**—A fatal shooting affray occurred at Como at 1:15 this morning. George Richard Lechner shot and instantly killed William Hayden. The latter is known as "Billy the Kid." The two were attending a dance and a quarrel was started because Hayden did not offer a chair which he was occupying to the young lady friend of Lechner. This brought on a dispute which later led to blows and Lechner was whipped. He left the hall and in a few minutes returned with a Winchester rifle and began shooting at Hayden. All four shots took effect and Hayden fell dead. Lechner gave himself up. The shooting caused great excitement at Como. Both men were well known.

**DIED FROM INJURIES**—Robert Plyon of Farmington, was run over by a heavy freight wagon last night and received injuries from which he died a few hours later. He was thrown from the driver's seat while crossing a bridge. He was 17 years old.

**FOR SPEAKER**—Charles E. Stubbs is out for the position of speaker of the next house of representatives providing the Democrats secure a majority of that body. It is stated that Mr. Stubbs was decided upon for speaker at the caucus of the Democratic representatives which was held in Denver two weeks ago, but the matter was not made public.

**BOARD ONCE MORE POSTPONES DECISION**

Denver, Dec. 23.—The state canvassing board devoted its entire session today to the hearing of affidavits and arguments of local counsel in the San Juan county case. The Denver Gas and Electric company appeared before the supreme court this morning and made public.

**SOULD HIS HEAD**—Arthur Jennings of Florence has sold his head to a medical college for \$3,000. One thousand

dollars was paid in cash and \$2,000 is to be paid to his relatives when he dies. When 3 years of age he was attacked with brain fever and his head grew to an abnormal size until he was 16 years old. It now measures 32 inches in circumference. This is something unheard of in the medical world, and the heard was very anxious to secure the specimen. Jennings operates a peanut stand in that city.

**CASE AGAINST LIGHT CO.**—The attorney general of the state of Colorado has never adjourned sine die. She stated that the board did not adjourn sine die because she believed that the board had never adjourned sine die. She was told of making her report the next day and sending it to the state canvassing board. She stated that she told them she would compile an abstract of the votes, including precinct number nine and forward it to the state canvassing board. This she did the next day. She also stated that the board did not adjourn sine die on election night as had been claimed by the Democrats. She stated that the board had never adjourned sine die. She was told of making her report the next day and sending it to the state canvassing board.

**CRIPPLE CREEK**

**ADDRESSED TEACHERS OF THE DISTRICT**

During the afternoon she appeared before the board with the book showing the abstract of votes of the entire county and had to go over the votes of each precinct. She was told to be an admirable witness, for she knew exactly where to find the results of any precinct or the answer of any question asked. During the time that she was on the stand she was perfectly composed and, as attorneys would say, made an admirable witness.

Later in the afternoon Attorneys O'Donnell and Hersey presented arguments before the board in their respective claims. Their arguments were devoted principally to legal questions involved in the case, but at times both became quite argumentative.

**STRUCK BY A TRAIN**—J. A. Nuckles, an old prospector about 40 years of age and single, was crossing the tracks about 2:30 this afternoon in front of a freight train that at the time was backing up near the city. Just as he had reached the far side of the track his right foot slipped backward, throwing him to the ground. The wheels passed over his heel smashing it frightfully and also breaking his leg in two places. The ambulance was immediately called and conveyed the injured man to the Sisters' hospital, where, after an examination, it was believed, by the attending physicians, that the leg would have to be amputated. Nuckles has resided in this city since he came here.

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**WILLIAM LAWRENCE SENTENCED**—William Lawrence who was taken for safety to the Colorado Springs jail after shooting and killing Harry Goldstein has been found guilty of voluntary manslaughter with a dump truck. That is untrue. I will tell you this much. Martin Gleason was not killed with a dump truck. I am positive he was shot and the testimony later on will conclusively prove it.

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# ALL THE NEWS FROM ALL THE WORLD

## LOCAL

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School board has formally accepted improvements on the Columbia school building.

It is reported that L. H. Harding is to be the successor of Grant Pauley as city ticket agent of the Colorado Midland.

Saturday, Dec. 20.

Motion for a new trial in the case of Edward Gleason vs. the Colorado Springs Rock and Sand company was filed in the district court yesterday.

General meeting of the Woman's club will be held this afternoon.

Another Mt. Rosa company suit was filed yesterday in the United States district court in Denver.

First annual ball of the Gentlemen's Driving club was held at the Antlers last night.

Pierce Tourist agency has decided to enter the Colorado field next season and it is believed that this will augment the already large summer tourist travel.

Mass. meeting of the citizens of Fountain and the farmers of the Fountain valley will be held at Fountain tonight to discuss the question of an irrigation reservoir.

Sunday, Dec. 21.

Plant of the Manitou Electric company is being dismantled and removed to Denver.

According to a report emanating from Oshkosh, I. Harry Stratton of this city is to be married on Wednesday to Miss Josephine Larabee of Oshkosh.

Arthur C. Dutcher of this city has been selected by Governor-dec Peabody as warden of the state reformatory at Buena Vista.

Concert is to be given on Christmas night at the Union Printers home.

Oliver Bainbridge, M. A., Oxford, arrived in the city yesterday; his specialty is seeing the world on foot.

Hearing of the motion for a new trial in the case of John A. Scott vs. the Denver and Rio Grande Railway company will probably come up in the district court Monday.

Fourth general meeting of the Woman's club yesterday afternoon was a most successful musical; plans for children's day next Saturday were announced.

Finance committee of the city council has completed an investigation of the affairs of the city treasurer's office and it is understood that their report will be favorable; misunderstanding appears to have arisen concerning Mr. Harris' connection with the investigation.

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Word has reached the city of the death in California of Rev. Ira G. Sprague, mayor of Colorado Springs in 1891-92.

Merchants in all lines of business report an excellent Christmas trade.

Over 600 teachers of the state are in attendance at the association meeting in this city.

Edward Gleason was granted a new trial in his case against the Rapid Transit company.

Cold weather has stopped the laying of stone on the new city hall, but stone putting is proceeding as usual.

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## STATE

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Action to reconsider the Las Animas county contest, was introduced at the meeting of the state board of canvassers yesterday and was still pending when adjourned.

New York capitalists have purchased 25 acres in Minnesota addition to Pueblo as a site for a large factory for the manufacture of railway switches and frogs.

Case of William Lawrence, the Pueblo negro charged with murder of Goldstein, is in the hands of the jury.

Pueblo hardware dealers will meet tonight to take preliminary steps for formation of a state association.

Manager Moorehead of the State Preparatory football team, has received a telegram from Chicago saying the Hyde Park-College Prep game had been definitely arranged to be played in Denver on New Year's day.

Grand contests on the new Moffat road were let yesterday which call for cash payments amounting to \$2,000,000; contractors will begin work within ten days and will furnish steady employment for 4,000 men for several months.

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Annual convention of State Retail Grocers and Biscuits association is to be held in Denver January 7 and 8.

Snugger-Union company has begun

preparations for resuming work on its property at Telluride.

An early blizzard at the Alpine pass has tied up the Gunnison branch of the Colorado and Southern.

Cherokee Bill Smith, charged with being leader of the gang which robbed the post office at Carlton in Fremont county several weeks ago, has surrendered.

George R. Lechner shot and instantly killed William Haydon at Como, where both men are well known.

State canvassing board is awaiting return of corrected abstracts of San Juan county.

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American Steel and Wire company of New Jersey has begun the shipment to Denver of a consignment of between 600 and 1,000 carloads of wire and steel goods valued at \$1,000,000.

Iron Silver Mining company has appealed its case, to compel the secretary of state to accept renewal of its charter, to the supreme court.

Victor's water supply is again short owing to seepage from the bottom of the new reservoir.

Hardware Merchants association last evening appointed committees who will send out invitations to the hardware men of Colorado, several hundred in number, to form a state association.

Sunday, Dec. 21.

Telegram from St. Louis indicates that if a permanent building is erected on the Colorado site at the Exposition grounds the city will keep it in repair.

Frank R. Wood, Republican senator from the twenty-fifth district, has replied to contest papers filed by W. G. Hines.

Among articles of incorporation filed with the secretary of state were papers for the Colorado Rebuilding company of Cripple Creek.

Coroner's jury at Como declared that killing of William Haydon by George Lechner was felonious.

E. O. Butler, pastor of the Baptist church at Saguache, was lost during Friday's storm while out hunting.

State board of canvassers expects corrected returns from Las Animas county on Monday.

Governor-elect Peabody has leased the residence of the late Charles B. Whitehead at 1128 Grant avenue, Denver.

Mayor Wright of Denver has invited President Roosevelt to visit the Colorado capital when on his trip to the Pacific coast next summer.

Pueblo steel works pay day distributed \$25,000.

Mayor Brown's request that a grand jury be called to investigate Pueblo city affairs has caused large amount of interest there.

A mineable iron foundry and a large cold storage plant are among Pueblo's latest acquisitions.

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Carl Keller and wife of Florence were scalped in a wreck in California in which 18 persons were killed.

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Peace committee, charged with the drafting of a plan for settlement of the trouble in labor circles which has resulted in the organization of rival trades assemblies in Denver, succeeded in reaching an agreement; the plan of settlement will be submitted to the two assemblies next Sunday and it is confidently predicted that they will be but one assembly after that date.

The state canvassing board did not consider its action in seating the Democratic member of the legislature from Las Animas county, Attorney General Post who made a motion to that effect Saturday, withdrawing it today. That contest is now regarded as finally disposed of. A hearing was had in the San Juan county contest but no decision was reached.

Judge Henry Teller, in an interview given out in Denver, expresses the opinion that there is still possibility of serious complications in connection with the Venezuelan trouble.

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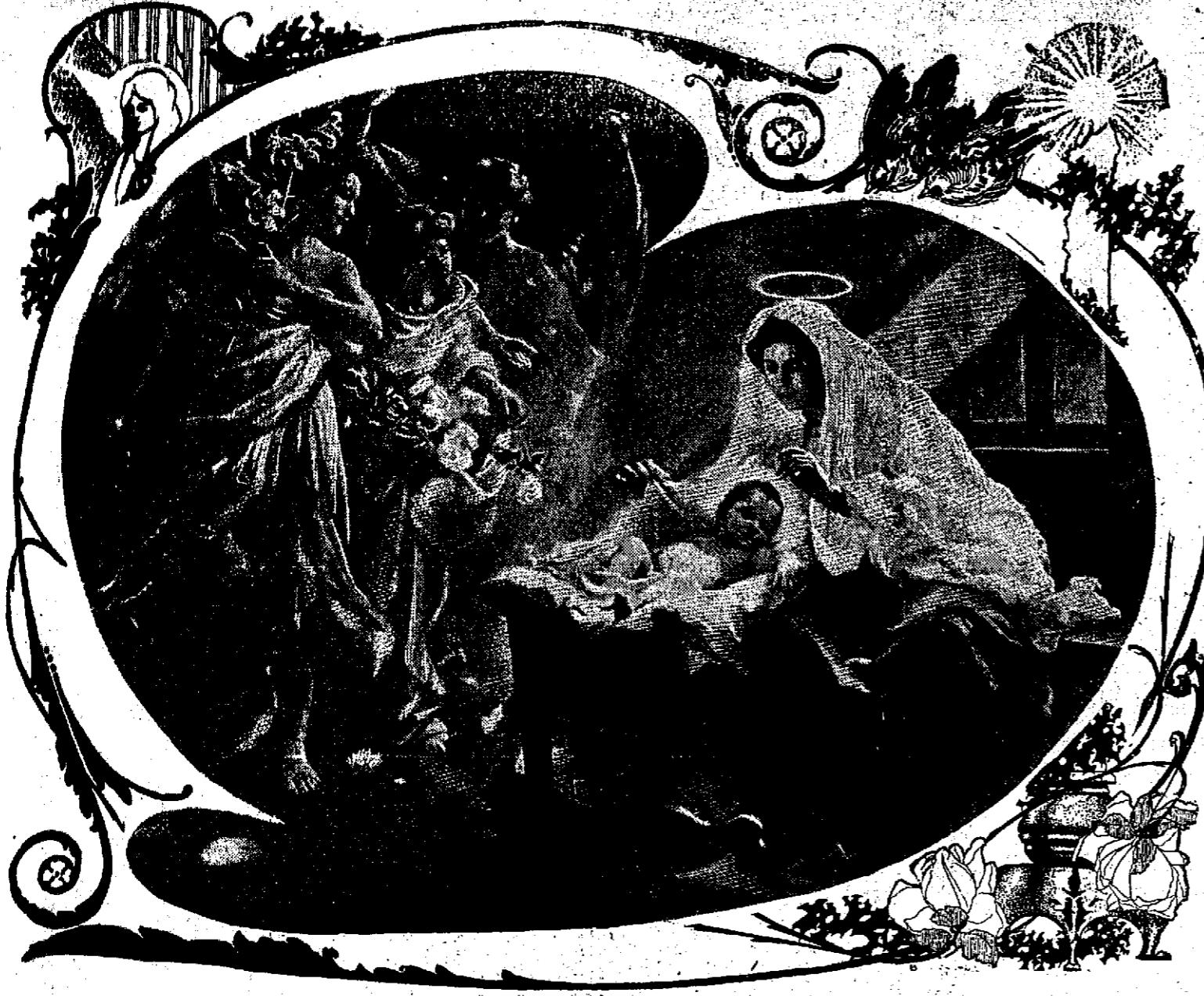
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## PAGE FOR WOMEN EDITED BY Ella Celeste Adams

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Where the bonfire shines,  
And the holy twines,  
Carols sing—a merry band—  
And stars are bright over that fair strand.  
Who has the key of Christmas Land?

**L**IGHT are the hearts in Christmas Land.  
In each group you meet,  
There are faces sweet,  
Bosom young and guileless are there,  
And brows not yet wrinkled with care—  
Who has the key of Christmas Land?

**L**OVE has the key of Christmas Land.  
Oh, come, Cherub Love,  
With wings like the dove,  
Spread over hearts thy light of peace,  
Bow for a harvest full of increase—  
Open the gates of Christmas Land!

**O**pen the gates of Christmas Land;  
There is much to do,  
And the days are few,  
But all men set Charity free;  
By thy grace, let us see there be  
None of God's poor in Christmas Land.

**M**ETHODIST.

**L**ITTLE did M. F. Wolf dream, of the good he had done when, in the Christmas Ladies' Home Journal of 1898, he placed the now famous "empty stocking" illustrations. These empty stockings appealed to everybody who saw them and the empty stocking clubs sprang up like mushrooms in the most unexpected places and at the unexpected times.

The Sunshine movement was started by that grand woman, Mrs. Cynthia Westover Alden, and she advocated that especial form of Christmas cheer that can be given by the "Empty Stocking" club. It is reported that last year the Sunshine Society, through the hundreds of branches, filled 200,000 stockings. The contributions that even more will be done in that direction this year. Donations are solicited by them. The donations can be sent to the International Sunshine Society's headquarters, 45 Fifth Avenue. But we have need of sunshine work right here in Colorado Springs. There's the Day nursery needing all the assistance a generous public will bestow. There's the poor little folks out at the coal mines north of the city. Some of the members of the Woman's Club have become immensely interested in the latter and are planning to send them a box of useful Christmas gifts. Mrs. Morrison of the home and educational department will gladly receive any donation at her residence, 1402 North Webster street.

The people at the mines are largely foreigners. They make much of Christmas when in prosperity. It is pitiful to read of the attempts of the exiles from home to celebrate. A visiting nurse in the metropolis tells this pathetic story of one girl, only one, of the many that she could relate:

A broken down chair, a table, one old straw tick where the children slept crosswise, and a bed where the mother lay, comprised all the furniture in the room. Everything else had gone to the pawnshop, in the hard times since they had carried the last load of coal. And fallen sick. Yet even here the Christmas message found expression, and Heinrich was interpreting it as best he could.

The tree was not much to look at. In reality, it was an old feather duster that he had been fortunate enough to find in an alley. But it was the symbol of Christmas to his little German heart. A valuable stuffed gift, unperfumed, a very good steward for it.

and though only stumps of feathers were left, they served well enough to hold the decorations, which he had bought with a shiny nickel that some one had given him for holding his horse that morning. He had had only a cracker for breakfast, and the temptation came to him strongly to buy a good meal with his five cents. But what would Christmas be without a tree? His mother was sick. Well, he was seven years old, big enough surely to get the tree himself. The temptation passed, and before him in the feather duster hung the results of his invention. One cent had gone for two ginger cookies, which cut into thirds, dangled with gold effect at the end of their strings from six different parts of the tree. There were only five in the family, but he and his mother had decided to ask Hans to come, too. He lived two flights down, and his mother beat him when she was drunk, and she was drunk now, and that was much worse than having her sick, Heinrich thought. Two rosy apples, one on each side, which had cost a penny each, were to be divided later. The little tangle of silver flitter, draped from feather to feather, that made it look like a real store tree, had eaten up a cent more, and the red candle at the top had taken the last penny, but it gave dignity and significance to the whole feather duster.

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The mother who does not joy in the desire to make her children happy has an icy heart, indeed. Christmas is predominantly the children's day, and without their delighted chatter over the gifts they receive the day loses its chief charm. But children should be assisted in planning little surprises for others and early taste the sweetness of the "more blessed to give than to receive." Children take such keen and genuine happiness, too, in preparing the decorations they should be allowed to wind the evergreen wreaths and tack up the bunches of cuffs for gilding here and there that gives to the house a holiday air.

If it is only a hough stuck in a jug, it is, or at least it represents a Christmas tree; every child loves a Christmas tree; encourage the children to manufacture the trimmings for the tree. It is such fun for them and pleases so much better than to surprise them with a ready-made one. They can string popcorns and cranberries and pick up the bits of cotton that can do service as snowflakes. Paper flowers, too, are pretty and not so difficult to make. Tinfoil and gilt paper stars and crescents contrast favorably with the dark green of the tree. Sometimes an evergreen may be out of the question, but it is easily a shrub from the wood, but if it is dead, dry in the right spirit it will bring the sweetest joy to the children and leave the tenderest and happiest memories.

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"As you gather your darlings around you  
And tell them the "story of old,"

Remember the homes that are dreary;  
Remember the hearts that are cold!

And thanking the love that has dovered you

With all that is dearest and best,  
Give freely, that from your abundance  
Some bare little life may be blessed!

"Oh, go where the stockings hang empty.

Where Christmas is naught but a name,

And give—for the love of the Christ-child!

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"Are people growing better, more self-sacrificing, more unselfish? It would seem, for now, while the celebration of Christmas is as ever a family affair, a time for the gathering together of clans, all the families are larger—for there is more and more of the altruistic spirit abroad, there are "Sunshiners" everywhere!

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Christmas," timing their exit to its conclusion.

"Merry Christmas to all,  
And to all a good night."

"I reckon," said Mr. Meddergrass,

"that about the most economical man

we ever had in these parts was Jeb Hawkins. When Jeb went a courtin' he picked about the humliest gal there was in town, but he had to, for she was the only one that had a birthday on Christmas day, an' he insisted on bein' married on Christmas day, too. Said it was because o' the sentiment connected with the occasion, an' all that, but just the same, he was considerate, one time an' told me that he figured he'd save enough to buy him a home, just by combinin' the anniversary birthday and Christmas presents."

"As ships meet at sea for a moment together, when words of greeting must be spoken, and then sway upon the deep, so men walk in this world. And I think we should cross no man's path without halting, and, if needs, giving him supplies." (Henry Ward Beecher.)

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The pleasure of her guests being her first consideration, let the hostess appear at the table smiling and at her ease—not a trace of the "Oh, I'm so worried for fear everything is not just right," being allowed to affect the social barometer. This state of things is so apt to be the case, particularly with the good "Marthas," of whom the world always has some on hand.

In order that the holiday may indeed be a merry, care-free one, let the hostess organize a systematic and diligent before-hand, with care and intelligence. She should have everything planned and not attempt what is beyond her resources of time and strength.

There's certainly no better way than the old-fashioned one of loading the table with all the substantialities of the feast—the splendid, great brown turkey, piping hot, decked with sausages, set before the host, with fragrant coffee served along with the dinner—and the vegetables passed around to each person so that they can take a larger or smaller portion as appetite prompts. At such times the guest feels at once taken into the home, and the shy, and most unaccustomed diners-out eat in peace, undisturbed lest—as at a formal course dinner—he be discovered eating some unknown and delicious dish.

With labor, but he counted not the cost nor was afraid,—No Road of the Loving Heart is cheaply made.

The shining parapet in tireless love was set.

A deathless patience shaped the treads and made them firm and even;

By the Road of the Loving Heart we climb to heaven.

May I follow this path of souls which leads to the shining goals?

Yes; Christ has opened the way to all

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December's dome is dark and bleak;

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Yet through December's door we seek

The harbingers of life and light.

The wan sun, whose dwindling days

Shrunk to the eyes of darkened men,

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(Conclude from Last Sunday.)

But where did the disease come from? How did poor Nan take the infection? It was the wonder of a long day, until it was discovered that Peter Vallcombe, who had been ill in his room for several days, had the same disease. You may well believe the people were properly indignant that such a malignant pestilence should have been brought among them. There was some pretty hot talk by those who had small children. Dr. Randolph Dorrington, who it seems, was the one to complain, took it all as a matter of course. He took prompt measures to isolate the two cases, curing for that purpose's sake dwelling on the outskirts of the town.

It was a turbid-down old place, to all outward appearances—but the interior was all that it should be. But after the patients had been removed, a fact which this doctor accomplished unaided and alone, he was confronted by the most serious difficulty of all. Who was to nurse Nan? And if Nan found a nurse, who was to nurse poor Peter Vallcombe? It was a very serious matter; and while he was sitting by Nan's bed, trying to solve the problem, he heard a light step in the hall, and the next moment in walked little Miss Johns, as cool as a cucumber and as fresh as a daisy.

"Oh, this won't do!" cried Dorrington, as Zepherine started to Nan's bedside. "You must get right out!" he commanded. His voice was stern and indignant, sat on his countenance.

"But I won't," she said with a smile, "if you don't." She took off her hat and hung it on the pedestal, placed her bundle of clothes in a chair and went and leaned over Nan, who was in a raging fever and rather frightened in her mind. She placed her hand on Nan's brow and in a few moments, the child ceased to mutter and throw her arms about.

"Now, what you think?" said little Miss Johns, hurrying to him with a smile of triumph.

"Why, I think you are very silly," he replied very angrily.

She was sitting on the side of the bed, but she rose as suddenly as if she had slapped her, her face red as fire. "I think you—" She caught her breath, and then her face became very pale. "I have shame for you," she said, all trace of indignation gone. "I have shame for anyone who does not want his sick child to have the attention of his friends. Well, then, if that is your feeling, I can nurse the other—Monseur Vallcombe. Where have you placed him?"

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It was fortunate for both the victims of this infection that they had little Miss Johns to nurse them, and it was even more fortunate that the only young woman had been taught how to nurse the sick by the good sisters at the convent. Her art in this matter was a revelation to Dorrington. It seemed to him that the vitality of the girl was abnormally developed. No matter how long she had been on her feet during the day, no matter how much sleep she had lost, a sigh from Nan would bring her to the child's bedside in a flash, and she was as prompt with poor Peter Vallcombe.

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"All right, all right," said Mr. Vallcombe. "She lose nothing by that. I will make her very glad of it."

When the doctor resumed the regular practice of his profession, all danger of the spread of the disease being over, he had to put up with a very severe lecture from the ready tongue of Mr. Billy Sanders.

"I declare, Randolph, I'm ashamed of you, before God, I ain't! Why, supposin' that little forrin gal had 'a' took the smallpox and 'a' died? Wouldn't that 'a' been a purty piece of business for you to stagger around under? Why, in the name of charity, didn't you ketch her by the ear an' lead her out of the room?"

"Well, I heartily wish you had been there to carry your plan out. I couldn't do thing with her."

"Why, I could tote her on the palm of my han', Randolph; she ain't bigger'n a sparrow," persisted Mr. Sanders. "Why'n you put her out by main strength?"

"Well, there are several reasons," responded Dorrington. "One is that she slipped in before I knew she was within a mile of the place; another is that she had hold of Nan's hand before I had any idea what kind of a cuper she was going to cut. But the real reason why I didn't insist on driving her away is that I didn't want to have a fight with her."

"But, Randolph, that child is as shay as a dyle, and an' lots gentler than old Kate, the maz you drive to your buggy," Mr. Sanders persisted; but there was a sparkle in his eye as he spoke. "Do you mean to tell me, Randolph," he went on, "that, er, not much bigger'n a hummin' bird, an mighty nigh as cute, reely frauled you out up thar whar you couldn't holler for help?"

"No, I didn't say that," replied Dorrington, with a laugh; "but you will say it, and I'll never hear the last of it. Well, you may say what you please, she's a very brave little woman and the best nurse I have ever seen. There is no doubt in my mind that she saved the lives of Nan and Vallcombe."

"Unless you or Nan want me to go there." The older woman regarded Zepherine with a curious smile, and she turned to smile after the girl had gone for her embroidery floss.

Whatever the smile may have meant, it had no effect on Zepherine, for whenever Dorrington came to Shady Dale, which was often, the young woman promptly disappeared and was seen no more until after his departure. More than once he made inquiries about her, and on one occasion he said he wanted to see her for the purpose of apologizing for his rudeness.

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"Dare? It is something terrible, then," said Miss Johns, her face becoming pale. "Oh, if you care for me, please tell me."

Nan seized her in a furious embrace. "Oh, you sweet goose! Oh, you dearest! Don't drive me crazy. I could tell you but for Mr. Sanders. When he saw me coming from the shoemaker's he called me and asked me how much I knew about everybody, and I pretended to know a great deal, and I kept on hinting and asking him how much he knew. And, oh! It's the most wonderful thing! Up went the hand to the mouth again, and nothing Miss Johns could say or do had the effect of inducing Nan to tell what she knew.

The fall drifted into winter without producing any change in the season. The roses bloomed, the birds sang, and the apple trees, mistaking the portents, began to clothe themselves with blossoms. The sun shone with the warmth of spring, and the delicate crisp breezes were laden with the odors of the season of flowers.

Well, it was upon the balmy wings of this perfect season that the days drifted toward Christmas, and when the day was near, the word was around that Mr. Vallcombe, the shoemaker, had turned to the village. He had not come upon the stagecoach. No, he had not been a passenger on the stagecoach. In May when he had hired a conveyance, and had timed his start from that city so as to arrive at Harmony Grove after nightfall, and the driver, who had his supper at the tavern, declared that Mr. Vallcombe had brought a companion with him. This driver further said that the two passengers talked outlandishly; they talked all the way, and he couldn't understand a word they said.

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It was during one of these visits that Miss Johns took occasion to tell Mr. Vallcombe why she had come so far from home. She told also of her father; how he had gone away from home and how she too had come away to find him. Some day, she said, she would be able to go to New Orleans, where she knew her dear father was.

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But as the cooler weather drew on there came a time when the visits of Mr. Vallcombe ceased. This was very pleasing to Nan Dorrington, who was a little jealous of the Frenchman. Since her illness she was more devoted to Zepherine than ever. And Nan was more beautiful than ever. There was not a mark on her face to show that she had ever suffered from that terrible disease, and it was all owing to Zepherine.

And yet, between Nan's father and Zepherine a terrible state of affairs existed. This was owing in part to the joyous Mr. Sanders and in part to the misunderstanding that had arisen when Zepherine had made her unexpected appearance as a voluntary nurse. When Zepherine returned home Mr. Sanders was the first to greet her, and his greeting brought the blood to his face. "Why, hello honey!" he exclaimed. "I'm mighty glad to see you lookin' so

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And it is of even greater importance to preserve as far as possible that most priceless of all our heritages, the beautiful pure Colorado air, which is of importance not only for itself but for its relation to the beauty of local scenery and the advantages of local climate.

Other cities, with far less interest in the matter than has Colorado Springs, have passed and are enforcing strict anti-smoke ordinances, and find no serious difficulty in reconciling material prosperity and industrial development with a consideration of those esthetic qualities that are so important a part of the modern city.

Colorado Springs cannot fairly be said to have had at any time a "smoke nuisance," as that term is understood elsewhere, for the dry air and the lignite coal make such a thing impossible. But the atmospheric conditions are by no means entirely satisfactory, even at the present time, and visitors are frequently impelled to ask what is being done to preserve the pure air and the constant sunshine that are so important features of our winter seasons.

Fortunately for the city and its neighbors, whose interests are the same as its own, the progress of modern science makes it quite possible to build up its manufacturing interests without any sacrifice of its scenic and climatic attractions. An extensive electric plant is already established for the purpose of using coal at the mouth of the mines, and the power thus produced will be supplied in any part of Colorado Springs, Colorado City or Manitou, more cheaply than it can be developed by direct burning of coal for steam purposes.

There are without doubt a number of manufacturing enterprises that could be profitably started in Colorado Springs at the present time, for which there are a local demand, a local market, a local labor supply, an abundance of cheap power and valuable raw materials. With proper effort and the presentation of the facts to the right persons several thousand persons may be added to the population of this county and many thousands of dollars to our invested and producing capital. Along such lines as these, rather than in seeking to vie with other communities in enterprises for which they possess superior advantages, may our efforts be most profitably exerted.

## ARBITRATION FOR VENEZUELA.

THE PROPOSAL that the questions in dispute between Venezuela and the European governments should be submitted to arbitration, which has been suggested by the United States government acting as an intermediary, has been met with the counter proposal that President Roosevelt should himself act as the arbitrator of this dispute.

While this counter suggestion is highly complimentary to President Roosevelt and to the nation of which he is the official head, it is not at all surprising that it should not be received with favor by him.

Of course President Roosevelt in accepting this task would not feel obliged in person to attend to all the details of the minute investigation of the claims against Venezuela, and of the facts that might be presented in justification of the course pursued by President Castro's government. But President Roosevelt certainly would not slight task of this kind that had been accepted by him, and the president of the United States is a much busier man than the European monarchs who have presided over arbitration courts.

And there's another very good reason why President Roosevelt would hesitate to become the official head of the arbitration tribunal. As such his duty would be to hold the scales of justice with strict impartiality between the South American republic and the European claimants, and without regard to any other matters. But as president of the United States, Mr. Roosevelt ought to assume a benevolent and protective attitude toward the South American republics, and in any question like the present, he ought to consider the interests of the United States ahead of those either of Venezuela or of the European claimants. As chief arbitrator President Roosevelt might believe it to be his duty to make a decision which as president of the United States it would be his duty to disapprove. The head of the United States ought not to be asked to arbitrate a question in which this government has a serious though possibly an indirect interest.

Further than that, the service of President Roosevelt as head of the board of arbitration would be an important step toward committing this country to an enforcement of the arbitration award, a responsibility that the United States should be very slow to assume. It is true that under ordinary circumstances the members of an arbitration board do not assume any such responsibility, but the circumstances of the present case are not ordinary ones, and the relations of the United States and Venezuela are such that serious consequences might follow an award distinctly favorable to either of the parties to the controversy.

Taking all these things into consideration, together with others, that might be mentioned, it is far better that the Venezuelan case should be referred to The Hague tribunal, which has been constituted by the nations of the world for precisely such cases, and which is not subject to any reasonable objection, on the score of competency, ability or impartiality.

Unlike some other papers the Gazette much prefers to call attention to what it has done, rather than to brag furiously in advance of what it is going to do. Yesterday's magnificent Christmas number with its 32 pages filled with interesting special articles, live and reliable news, local and telegraphic, and the advertising columns filled with holiday announcements by local merchants, was a magnificent tribute to the enterprise and good judgment of Colorado Springs business men, and a further proof of the well known fact that Colorado Springs people demand and continue to receive the best that is being produced in the newspaper world.

The recent special number of the Scientific American constituted a very interesting exhibit of the rapid growth of American commerce in every department. The magnificent ocean-going steamers that are now being built in this country, both for the transatlantic and the transpacific trade, the immense new freight carriers for the great lakes, and the massive locomotives for freight and passenger service, all give indisputable proof of the rapid progress of American industry and trade, a progress which fully justifies the predictions made some years ago by the friends of the American system of protection and the advocates of American expansion.

The somewhat sensational death of Mr. Whayne, said to be due to accident, is likely to call attention to the evils of over-insurance upon lives, which is almost as much of a danger as the over-insurance of buildings against fire or of ships against wreck. According to the press reports this Mr. Whayne had already insured his life for \$300,000, and was still practising the habit as he had recently applied for \$50,000 more. Very few men are worth that much in money, either to themselves or to the insurance companies. As for these, they have accepted the premiums together with the risk, and they ought to be compelled to pay the penalty, unless there is conclusive evidence of fraud. But there is good reason for believing that such large policies are not in accordance with public policy, and they are not creditable either to the company that issues them or to the individual that secures them.

The cable ship Silverton, which is laying an American cable from San Francisco to Honolulu, remains in constant communication with the Californian shore through the cable itself, the message being sent from the instrument on shipboard through the coils in the cable tanks and thence under the waters of the ocean to the land. It is expected that Honolulu will be reached before Christmas day, and possibly at that time a message may be sent from Governor Dole to President Roosevelt. From the Hawaiian Islands the cable will soon be stretching westward across the Pacific to Guam and the Philippines.

Colorado Springs has been enjoying a very good article of winter climate in the past week, and it seems hardly possible that within 30 miles of this city a fierce blizzard is raging. But the storm king is usually very considerate of Colorado Springs. Many storms that visit neighboring states never reach us at all, and whenever we do have bad weather, it is pretty safe to say that it is very much worse elsewhere.

## THE COLORADO-NEW MEXICO BOUNDARY.

BESIDE our water troubles with Kansas are settled, along comes somebody with the horrid discovery that a statute of the United States refers to the 38th parallel as the boundary between Colorado and New Mexico, and therefore this state must lose a tract of territory 60 miles or more in width along its entire southern boundary.

The subject is sufficient for a newspaper sensation, according to the customs of some offices, but no one need lose any sleep over the fear that Trinidad and the San Juan will wake up some morning to find themselves out of the union, and subject to the good graces of Senator Beveridge to get back in again.

Whatever the statutes of the United States may contain, by error or by intention, the one positive authority upon this subject is the enabling act approved March 3, 1875, by which the inhabitants of the territory of Colorado were authorized to form the state of Colorado. The southern boundary of the new state by this act was made the thirty-seventh parallel of north latitude. And the first article of the state constitution declares the southern boundary of the state to be the thirty-seventh parallel of latitude, and the foot note in the Annotated Statutes says that "the southern portion of the state, bounded on the north and south by the 38th and 37th parallels, east by the 28th meridian and west by the Rocky mountains—ceded by the state of Texas and Mexico—was transferred from the territory of New Mexico to the territory of Colorado, by the act of congress."

And after that, it will take more than a newspaper scarehead to deprive us of Las Animas and Archuleta and the other southern counties.

## A SLANDER UPON THE WEST.

ONE OF the slanders upon the west resulting from Senator Beveridge's attempt to justify the exclusion of the territories of New Mexico and Arizona is a pair of maps printed as a part of the sub-committee's report.

Upon these maps an attempt is made to show by black areas, land "taken up or capable of sustaining population," and by white areas "land open to but not capable of supporting population." These maps bear the imprint of the United States geological survey, division of hydrography, but the Gazette is not informed as to whether the arbitrary division of lands capable of supporting population and those incapable of doing so is the result of the efforts of Senator Beveridge and his associates of the majority of the committee, or of the geological survey.

Whichever it is, we find it impossible to believe that the capacity of these territories to support population is fairly represented by the scattering black squares upon a white background, though that is unquestionably the impression sought to be conveyed by the report.

Senator Beveridge seems to belong to the same class of American statesmen who once opposed the building of a wagon road out of Boston for 18 miles for the reason that it went so far west that no one would ever use it, and who later wrote the "Great American Desert" into the geography books. To preserve his consistency he ought to introduce a resolution declaring war against old Mexico to force that country to take Arizona and New Mexico off our hands.

## SOME ASPECTS OF THE VENEZUELAN AFFAIR.

PROBABLY the most evidently important feature in connection with the Venezuelan trouble is the fact that Germany and Great Britain should have taken the trouble to assure themselves in advance of the attitude of the United States, and should have limited their course of action by explanations to us. Such explanations are, in themselves, a very plain and substantial recognition of the Monroe doctrine, and an admission that this country has a special and superior interest in the affairs of the South American states, such as does not belong to any power of Europe.

And it is safe to say that this deference to the opinion of the United States does not arise from any sentimental consideration for our wishes nor altruistic endeavor to do what is best for our interests. It results, first, from our plain and unmistakable declarations of the Monroe doctrine, and, second, from that wise national policy in building a strong navy, which has made it possible to do something more than to protest against the aggressions even of the greatest nations of the world.

With the memory of the Venezuelan boundary dispute fresh in the minds of the diplomats of the European capitals, and with Admiral Dewey of Manila bay still in command of the same ships that fought at Santiago de Cuba, and with the knowledge that the new ships added to the navy since the Spanish war are more powerful than the total fleet that swept the Spanish ships out of existence with hardly the loss of a man on our side, it is not surprising that the European powers, before proceeding to collect a debt of a few million dollars from Venezuela, should stop to inquire, What is the United States of North America going to do about it?

There could be no more sincere compliment to our national strength than this recognition of the justice of our claims in the matter, and it is pleasant to know that this manifestation of respect has been returned with equal fairness and justice from our side. While abating no part of our declaration that the independent republics of South America must not be made European colonies, that there must be no territorial acquisitions on that continent, and that unjustifiable aggression or oppression of our southern neighbors would be regarded as distinctly unfriendly to the United States, our government has freely admitted that the nations of Europe unquestionably have good grounds for complaint against Venezuela for the non-payment of her obligations and the non-performance of her duties under international law.

To show how thoroughly just and reasonable this is, we need only suppose Turkey to be in the position of Colorado development, and it is to be hoped that the people of that prosperous community will not fail to appreciate the service rendered to them at its full value.

The appointment of Dr. P. G. Hanford of this city as surgeon general of the national guard of this state is one that will give general satisfaction. Dr. Hanford is well known in this city, where he is deservedly popular, both for his professional ability and his personal character, and no better selection for this position could have been made.

There is another aspect of the Venezuelan affair which is not less interesting but more disquieting to Americans. Germany was undoubtedly the leader in the demonstration against Venezuela, and her diplomats deserve credit for securing the participation of Great Britain in an affair that might otherwise have appeared much more suspicious to Americans. But the dual alliance, for this matter, has later been increased by the accession of Italy, while Spain, Belgium and the Netherlands have signified that their demands are also to be considered. France, overshadowed by her great ally of the north, and satisfied with the decision of her Venezuela claims by a recent arbitration tribunal, has contented herself with a formal notice that her subsequent claims stand on the same footing with those of the other powers.

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Thus for the first time in history United Europe faces United America in a dispute unimportant in itself, and one which the parties on both sides of the ocean hope may be settled without anything more serious than a "peaceful blockade" or a demonstration in force along the Venezuelan coast.

But the beginning has been made. The United States of North America freely admitted to be the richest, the most resourceful, and, in many important departments of national life, the greatest nation that ever appeared upon this earth, cannot count upon a continued advantage over disrevered, jealous and hostile European states. The fifty states of the great North American federation, many of them possessing the area and the resources sufficient for independent nations, bound together in the strength of a federal union, and dominating, in a just and non-aggressive policy of the protection of mutual interests, the American hemisphere from the Arctic to the Antarctic, has aroused the alarm of Europe. The warnings of prominent Europeans, heard with increasing frequency in recent years, and certain to become much more impressive in the future, have already produced their effect.

America is a unit in defending itself from unwarranted aggression. Europe is a unit in demanding attention for its just claims.

Viewed in this light, the Venezuelan affair of 1902 is a historical event of much more than ordinary importance, and future historians may see in it the beginnings of great movements that may engage the attention of the nations for centuries to come, and result finally in consequences of transcendent importance.

## THE UNION PACIFIC PENSION SYSTEM.

THE Union Pacific Railway company is setting a good example to Western corporations in providing a pension system for those employees who have grown old in its service. According to the new arrangement, which goes into effect January 1st next, the persons whose names are placed on the pension list will have no duties to perform, but each of them will be paid one per cent. of the average salary drawn by him during the last ten years he was in the service of the company, multiplied by the total number of years he was in such service. Thus a person who has been twenty years in the service of the company will receive annually twenty per cent. of his average salary for the past ten years.

Such a measure, providing for the peace and comfort in declining years of those who have given their best efforts to the service of a corporation, is coming more and more to be regarded as an act of justice, as well as one that is conducive to the general social interests of the community. Unquestionably better service is secured, and more constant and faithful performance of duty, than where the employee is necessarily distracted by the thought of what is to stand between him and actual want when his mental and physical strength shall have declined.

Among those who will be placed on the Rock Island's roll of honor after the first of January next is the veteran Colonel George A. Dy, who has been for years one of the best known and deservedly one of the most popular railroad men of the state. No one has better earned a rest by long and honorable service, and the general public will join with his associates in wishing him a long life and a happy one.

## A NEW REVENUE RULING.

RECENT RULING by Commissioner Yerkes of the internal revenue bureau may be a matter of some local interest. On December 16 this official rendered a decision in which he ruled that druggists and others who sell soda water drinks, claret soda or similar beverages to which distilled spirits, wine or any compound thereof are added in any quantity, however small, are required to pay the special tax provided for retail liquor dealers under the internal revenue laws.

Under the old rulings, druggists and others were allowed to add to soda water and other soft drinks an "inappreciable quantity" of distilled spirits or wines for flavoring purposes. The former ruling is now revoked to take effect January 1, 1903.

Some of the druggists of Colorado Springs, who seem to have no hesitation whatever in violating the city ordinances with only occasional and short-lived periods of obedience to the laws, are extremely sensitive upon the point of being called "liquor sellers," and it will doubtless come as a severe shock to them to learn that after the first of January the United States government will not be so considerate of their feelings as to refrain from taxing them as retail liquor dealers, if even an inappreciable quantity of alcohol is used to flavor their beverages.

In the meantime the temporary spasm of reform which passes for learning in congress; a weariness of sack coats and clothes—wrinkled clothes and a soft hat; tactless, proud of it; yet afraid of making an enemy where it would do the most good; bristling with retort and invective.

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In congress McKinley and Reed were leaders of one party, but there stopped the conflict. McKinley had the wordy style of a man who is not quite certain of his position, and is trying to convince himself. "No two men ever agreed more in their style of thinking and reading. He knew things at the base; and understood the ultimate philosophy of them. So he wrote well. He got a chapter in a sentence. He was always sure. His style was epigrammatic. McKinley had the wordy style of a man who is not quite certain of his position, and is trying to convince himself. "No two men ever agreed more in their style of thinking and reading. He knew things at the base; and understood the ultimate philosophy of them. So he wrote well. He got a chapter in a sentence. He was always sure. His style was epigrammatic. McKinley had the wordy style of a man who is not quite certain of his position, and is trying to convince himself. "No two men ever agreed more in their style of thinking and reading. 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# TWENTY KILLED IN RAILROAD COLLISION

Horrors of Wreck in California Increased by Latest Details--Two People From Florence, Colorado, Are Among List of Injured.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—The list of fatalities attending the railroad collision at Byron, Cal., last night, is receiving frequent additions at the Southern Pacific hospital in this city where 22 victims have been brought. At 10 o'clock tonight eight deaths were reported beside those killed outright. A telegram from Fresno announces the death there of D. J. Vernon, another of the injured. This makes the total list of fatalities 19.

Other patients are reported in critical condition. Tonight Richard Post, a medical student at the affiliated college died of his injuries. He was on his way to Fowler, Cal., to spend the holiday vacation when he received the fatal injury. Mini Magawa, a Japanese girl was also seriously burned and she died tonight. Every possible care and attention is being given the unfortunate at the hospital by the surgeons and nurses and but few are permitted to receive friends or relatives.

An inquiry is progressing into the cause of the collision, a new committee is given to the origin of the disaster. Immediately following the meeting of the trains the supervisor was advanced that Engineer McGuire of the Stockton Flyer was largely at fault.

Today's developments places the burned and bruised engineer in a different light. It is acknowledged that the leak in the boiler of the Owl engine delayed the progress of the train and when it reached Byron there had been considerable schedule time lost. When Conductor William Dolan of the Owl stopped at Byron he found a freight train standing on the other track and he sought to secure its engine, to supplement the faulty one of the Owl.

It is asserted that considerable time was lost in trying to arrange the transfer before the plan was found unavailing and then it was decided to send a flagman back to signal the approaching local.

A significant statement is made by W. M. Moore, a fruit merchant of San Jose, who was in the neighborhood on business. At the time of the collision Mr. Moore was on a wagon road near the station at Byron. Across the men field lying between him and the railroad tracks he had a clear view of the local and the station. He says that he saw a man swinging a lantern on the track and there was just about the distance of two telegraph poles between the lantern and the headlight of the fast moving engine.

Taking Mr. Moore's statement as correct there was a very limited distance in which the flyer could be stopped. It is reported that it was traveling 60 miles an hour and would require more than a quarter of a mile in which to come to a halt. Both Enginee McGuire and Fireman Joyce have made statements in which they declare that the brakes were put on and the engine reversed so that the flyer slid along the tracks until it crashed into the standing passenger train.

The railroad company last night made every possible arrangement for the comfort of the injured and this morning all of the sufferers were tenderly placed on a train and conveyed to the company's hospital in this city. On the way here Miss Mabel Vezey, Miss Mayer and Len Irwin breathed their last and W. F. Temple and Robert Reinwick succumbed almost immediately after passing within the doors of the hospital. Tung Tia Gong, Chinese maid was the next to be placed on the fatal list and later in the night Richard Post and Mini Magawa passed away. At 11 p. m. Carl Mayer, aged 7, expired, making the 20th victim.

D. J. Vernon, who was taken to his home in Fresno, died late tonight. His son, who was also among the injured, was reported to be in a state of collapse and pulseless.

At the hospital at 11 o'clock tonight the statement was made that several more deaths were likely to occur before this morning. Mrs. Mayer whose little son and daughter have died is very low and her other son, about 20 years old, is also in a critical condition.

The condition of Stella Howard of San Francisco, is also exciting the apprehension of the physicians.

## FLORENCE PEOPLE INJURED IN WRECK IN CALIFORNIA

By Associated Press.

Martinez, Calif., Dec. 21.—As a result of a rear-end collision between the Stockton Flyer and Owl train on the Southern Pacific at Byron last night 16 deaths have already been recorded and there are indications that the total will soon be raised to 20. Most of the wounded passengers who were too severely injured to be taken to their homes were taken to the Southern Pacific hospital at San Francisco today and on the way to the place five of the victims died. Twenty-two of the injured reached the hospital where it was announced tonight that R. Post of Fowler, Calif., and Lee S. C., a Chinaman of San Francisco, would probably succumb. Of the 22 patients, only four were permitted to receive visitors so seriously were they suffering.

The dead:

ROBERT RENNICK, San Francisco.

LEON IRWIN, Oakland.

W. F. TEMPLE.

ELIZABETH L. SMITH of Fresno, Calif., aged 38.

CLARENCE D. OLUFSEN, Fresno, aged 22.

MISS BIRDIE ELLIOTT, San Francisco, aged 22.

MABEL VEZEEY, Modesto, Calif., 18.

GEORGE SESSIONS, Oakland, Calif., aged 50.

CHARLES OWENS, Fresno, Calif., aged 50.

MISS MYERS, Fresno.

TUNG TIA GONG, a Chinese girl of San Francisco.

One unidentified dead include one white man, evidently a sailor, two Chinese, one Japanese woman and a Japanese child.

The reviewed list of the injured includes:

GARL KELLER and wife, Florence, Calif.

D. J. Vernon, scalded, knee broken; D. J. Vernon, Jr., Fresno, serious bruises; Edward Joyce, fireman Stockton train, scalded; S. S. Crates, Bakersfield, scalded; three Chinese women, badly bruised; George Washington, Owl cook, leg broken; Ed Slusher, second cook, head and leg cut; Charles Harris, third cook, head and legs injured; E. T. Tolles, fourth cook, head cut; leg smashed; A. A. Sanderson, waiter, head cut; C. C. Alexander, waiter, knee broken; Miss Mary Baird, Fresno, hand slightly cut; Engineer McGuire, severely hurt; W. Emily Mayer, San Francisco; J. F. Carroll, San Francisco, scalded and bruised; Richard Post, Fowler, Calif., scalded; E. F. Eastman, Paris, Me., fatally injured; George Moku, Japanese, San Francisco, head cut; Lou Iken, Chinese, San Francisco, scalded; Lawrence Hunter of Eugene, Ore., burns on head and face; F. Lee, Louisville, Ky., burns on head, face and arms.

The dead were brought here this morning and an inquest will be held tomorrow. Most of the purposes are terribly mutilated. This made the work of identification very difficult. The injured were taken to Oakland. All are reported recovering from their injuries and no further casualties are anticipated.

Edward Joyce, fireman of the Stockton Flyer, in a statement explaining the collision, said:

"We saw the flagman's light ahead of us and put on the brakes at once. They seemed to work well enough but we could not stop in time and smashed into the rear of the Owl train. The engine went right through the car."

Frank H. Short, a prominent resident of Fresno, who was at dinner with C. H. Rowell, editor of the Fresno Republican, when the collision occurred, said in discussing the wreck:

"It was 'indestructibly awful.' A young girl who was sitting opposite us with a young gentleman was hurled against me, her head striking on my nose and nearly breaking it. She immediately became hysterical and Mr. Rowell and myself had to carry her out of the car where everything was confusion. Several passengers got out, cracked the lights went out, glass was crashing all about, the chandeliers toppled down and the crowd was almost panic-stricken. As soon as we got her out we hurried her up and put her into a car where she was taken care of. The fireman and I were talking to the fireman and the fireman said 'We saw the flagman's light ahead of us and put on the brakes at once. They seemed to work well enough but we could not stop in time and smashed into the rear of the Owl train. The engine went right through the car.'

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It was a very short time the large building was completely gutted and the fire had spread both east and west taking

the building occupied by Broyles, Mc

Cleland & Lackey of the west and that

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# MINES AND MINING

## CRIPPLE CREEK SUMMARY

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Miller and Nesbit have their cyanide plant now complete and ready for operation. The ore bins are all filled with rock that has come from the Pharmacist dump and the trial run will be made, the first of the coming week. These men have secured leases on the Pharmacist, Acacia, and Free Coinage dumps and they now figure that every pound of rock will run in the neighborhood of from \$3 to \$10 per ton. As they can treat \$5 are a small profit it looks as if they will have a pretty good thing out of the three dumps.

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Reports have reached the city of a rich strike in the Granite district on property in which Colorado Springs and Pueblo capital is interested.

The strike which is in the property of the Prairie Mining & Milling company in the Granite district near Leadville, while sinking on the Gopher claim, on this company a new cross vein was encountered at a depth of less than 100 feet. The new vein shows about 15 inches of mineral which is liberally sprinkled with free gold. The vein on which the company was sinking at the time carried a streak of very high grade ore and a large amount of pay mill stuff. It is proposed to continue sinking the shaft until another 100 feet of depth is attained when two levels will be run and the two veins already discovered will be explored fully. From present indications it looks like the Gopher will soon become a shipper.

### ROYAL MINING CO. OPENS RICH ORE IN TUNNEL.

On Monday of this week, when the shots in the Royal tunnel on Sultan mountain near Silverton, were put in at the 1,040-foot mark, a 30-inch vein of ore was encountered and the King vein exposed at a depth of 900 feet. Drifting to the south on the vein where the larger and better one had been developed by upper workings in the order and at the same time the tunnel will be pushed on ahead 200 feet to where the second and more prominent veins of the company, known as the Sultan, will be cut at a depth of 1,000 or more feet.

The ore is a quartz filled with a fine galena and copper and while the same is not of sufficient value to make a shipping product just at the point of intersection of tunnel, it is a very desirable milling ore. The company during the prosecution of the long tunnel has from time to time been doing a little work in the upper tunnels on the surface and has some 14 carloads of high grade ore given away during the past summer, but now that the weather becomes more accessible and convenient from below will confine all efforts to drifting and upraising where the winter's inclemency cannot prevent the energy of an enterprising people.

### NEW MINING COMPANY BUYS GROUP IN GEORGETOWN DIST.

The Capital Prize Mining company last Saturday made full payment for the valuable group which had been held by recent owners Mrs. Maggie Bullock, Louis Bachelder, and the Bank of Clear Creek county, had bonded their interest to John Hite, who managed the group until a few months ago, when William Cooper was appointed manager.

A shaft sunk from a tunnel level is now down about 250 feet, and the property is showing hopefully as depth is reached. It is the general opinion of mining men that this shaft working will develop large bodies of gold copper ore. The group is within the Georgetown city limits.

### CAB SHORTAGE CAUSES TROUBLE TO PORTLAND.

According to the Cripple Creek Times the management of the Portland Gold Mining company is in dire straits. Such a condition as now confronts the head of that monster corporation has seldom ever before occurred. It is simply impossible for the Portland people to get cars in anything like sufficient number to send to their own mill the quantity of rock that it would be profitable to have hauled. Outside of the building

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But there is a reason for all this; in fact, it is a most excellent one. At the present time the Portland company has broken, hoisted and made ready for shipment 90 cars of ore. The cars are not yet available and so for a day it was absolutely necessary to stop hoisting mineral. The trouble is that the Portland is getting to be too big a proposition, not only for the mill that it owns, but for the railroad that it assisted most materially in building.

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The new man at the helm understands his business from A to Z, but he is taking charge of one of the greatest propositions of the age, for the Portland, in a gold mining way, is truly the wonder of the world. The value of its ore is now shown metric ton per car, not to be found on the globe. At present the Portland management is attempting to break a quantity of rock that will average better than \$30 per ton, and this work can be continued for an indefinite period, but there will come a time when the vast bodies of rock that is now left standing in the mine may be needed. When this time comes the Portland can be placed on the dividend paying list until after the time when your children's children are dead.

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### LOCAL COMPANY STRIKES OIL IN ITS WELL AT BOULDER.

W.P. Bonbright and company have received the pleasing intelligence from Boulder that one of their oil wells in that field is now pumping. It is one of the wells of the Boulder Illuminating Oil company and is the first pumping well that this company has opened up.

The ore which is now being shipped from Stratton's Cripple Creek Mining and Development company's ground is higher grade than for months past.

The best news is probably the American Eagles on Bull Hill, where a wide body of medium grade ore has

been drilled for on a distance of several hundred feet. On the Abe Lincoln, in Poverty gulch, the streak of high grade which is averaging in carload lots about 22 tons runs five ounces.

These values are from the lessees samples, the shipments having only recently been made so that the actual returns have not been received. It is believed that the Jack Pot vein will carry high values and good quantities in the eighth level, when the construction of the drainage tunnel makes work in that level possible. In the meantime the returns from lessees' work is of sufficient value to the company as to enable it to make frequent payments upon its indebtedness.

### THE FINDLEY COMPANY

is now cutting a station at the 400-foot level, preparing to prospect the territory at that depth. For some months the work has been confined almost exclusively to developing and the output for that reason has been high.

A lease was granted Monday from surface to the depth of the Ophelia tunnel on the north end of the Zenobia on Bull Hill, owned and operated by the Stratton Cripple Creek Mining & Development company. Only a week or two ago the directors had practically decided to close the mine, but Manager Rice, who had implicit confidence in the property, requested that it be given two more months' grace. Thursday the company crossed the 500-foot level cut into the vein east of the shaft from which six inches averages \$30 a ton. The entire breast of the drift is pay, and the lowest assay yet obtained ran \$20 to the ton. The shaft was made in the 500-foot level.

The best news is probably the Abe Lincoln, in Poverty gulch, also owned by the Stratton estate, gave values of \$69.80 a ton. This property is now more than

a year old and has been producing every day.

Turner's mine, on the Abe Lincoln, in Poverty gulch, is now pumping.

The Colorado Leasing, Mining & Milling company, operating on the Dexter on Bull Hill, received returns from a car shipment showing a settlement at the rate of \$63 a ton. The ore came from the 300-foot level.

The Blue Bird mine is again to the front with another sensational discovery which eclipses a former find if the story in circulation is correct. It is reported that in the 1,000-foot level a two-foot vein of heavily stained fluorite quartz has been encountered. Specimens of this rock show free gold in abundance and assays have run as high as \$10 a ton to the ton.

The management admits that a big discovery has been made, but declares that there is nothing to give out for publication at present. It was in this property that gray copper was found some months ago and has led to the publication of a theory of a secondary enrichment in the Cripple Creek district which promises to lead to much discussion among mining engineers.

The Gold Hill sampler at Goldfield has been leased for a term of years by Rice & Temple, who will convert it into a cyanide plant and improvements will be commenced at once. The mill will open with a capacity of 50 tons a day, to be increased later to 100 tons.

A two-ton shipment was sent out Thursday from the south end of the Delmonico, which is operated under lease by the Rocky Mountain Leasing company. The ore is estimated to be worth \$80 a ton, with a few sacks which will run better than 10 times this value.

The Valley City company sent out four cars of mill ore this week, consisting of one of the Florence plants.

The following shipments were sent out by lessees in the Standard tunnel:

Paul Lunde, from shaft No. 2, 30 tons of \$40 ore; John Dalzell & Wilson, from block No. 1, 2 cars of 40 ore.

Potvin & Mitterer made their initial shipment from the main workings on the Clara D. Friday. They have saved about 20 tons from the old stope that they estimate to be worth \$50 a ton.

Forts cars of medium grade ore was shipped by the Findley company Wednesday.

Lessee McKinsey on the Whip Poor Will on Bull Hill shipped 20 tons of \$40 ore Friday.

The Valley City Gold Mining company, operating on the Shurhoff No. 2, under a \$160,000 bond and lease, has not yet paid for the property, although a few weeks ago the manager stated that the money would be paid within a few days as the showing in the bottom level was so good that it would not continue paying royalties to John Nolan of this city and Jake Becker of Manitou, the owners.

The Capital Prize Mining company has built a one and a half story house, 16x24 feet, as a residence for the miners.

A blacksmith shop, 12x18 feet, has been erected and fully equipped for immediate use. The tunnel has been developed and a drift along the bottom level. The manager of the property said that after a settlement is made it will be immediately extended and of holes in the breccia was recently discharged to expose a fresh looking rock, and it resulted in disclosing a body of quartz four feet wide, showing some auriferous galena. The breccia is 30 feet from the entrance, and 250 feet beneath the surface. Mining men who examined the rock, and who are thoroughly familiar with the country, said that the rock is likely to be good for gold.

There is a very general opinion that the St. Paul company will encounter some rich ore in this tunnel, as more depth is attained. Manager Teagarden expects to push operations vigorously throughout the winter.

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# THE NEWS OF THE WEEK IN COLORADO SPRINGS...

## UNION PRINTERS HOME WILL HAVE NEW LIBRARY BUILDING

Next year will probably witness the commencement of work upon a new \$50,000 library building for the Union Printers home. In his report made to the International Typographical Union convention at Cincinnati last August, Superintendent Charles Deacon recommended an assessment of 50 cents per member for this purpose. His recommendation was laid over at the time and will be considered at the next convention of the organization which will be held in Washington next August.

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Work on the \$7,000 addition to the home was begun yesterday. This will consist of the placing of a third story upon the annex. This story will contain 15 rooms besides special quarters for the nurses at the home. Work on this addition will be pushed as rapidly as possible. The changes in the kitchen and dining room which were commenced in the fall are expected to be completed by tonight. Superintendent Deacon announced that the residents at the home will eat their Christmas dinner in the new dining room. There will be appropriate exercises on that occasion.

## THIRTY ODD FELLOWS TAKE THIRD DEGREE OF THE ORDER

Last evening, about 35 Odd Fellows from Colorado Springs Lodge No. 146, accompanied by the degree staff, visited Manitou Lodge No. 31 and the third degree was conferred upon about 30 candidates. The candidates for No. 146, 25 in number, chartered a special car.

A number of prominent Odd Fellows from this and other states were present and after several speeches all adjourned to the banquet room where a sumptuous repast had been spread by Manitou Lodge. The candidates from Colorado Springs were as follows: J. E. Little, T. E. Norton, H. C. Cassner, U. S. Mitchler, W. L. Garrison, A. C. Telburg, J. H. Flansburg, E. F. C. Whittaker, R. H. Shannon, Edwar Ewah, Chap Fisher, J. E. Talmadge, L. W. Atkinson, L. J. Springer, O. E. Decker, J. Winterburn, D. R. Rohr, J. C. Telburg, R. L. Stringer, A. A. Russel, Sidney Baker, Dr. McDonald, A. J. Bulington, H. Gill, W. T. Clements.

## FORMER MAYOR AND ALDERMAN SPRAGUE DEAD

Word has reached this city of the death in California several days ago, of Rev. Mr. Sprague, formerly a minister of this city and later an alderman, and still later mayor of Colorado Springs.

Only a mere statement of his death has been received here, it coming in a letter to a Colorado Springs gentleman from a friend in California. The late Mr. Sprague left Colorado Springs about six years ago for California, in search of health and has never been back, but there are many here who now remember him and who will be deeply grieved to hear of his death.

As far as the records of the city council in the state of Mr. Sprague stand for the present, he died in the city of San Francisco, California, in 1891.

At the time of his death he was a member of the city financially and especially morally, and as mayor in 1891, his administration was noted particularly for the clearing out of a resort with bad name, lying just outside of the city limits between Colorado Springs and Ivywild. This tract of land was purchased by the city and turned into a public park. It was opened on July 4, 1892, with a public celebration preceded by a procession of the children of the city through the principal streets and out to the park. The park was known as Dorchester park and is still city property. It is understood though it is not now used extensively as a park.

Mr. Sprague was a member of the First Methodist church and had been a minister of that denomination. He was highly respected for his excellence of character and his interest in public affairs.

## THREE DAMAGE SUITS COME UP

Three damage suits, two against the Colorado Springs Rapid Transit company and one against the Denver and Rio Grande Railway company, came up before Judge Cunningham of the district court yesterday, all on motions for new trial. In each case Henry McAllister, Jr., appeared as attorney for the defendant.

In the case of Edward Gleason vs. the Rapid Transit company, in which the plaintiff sued for \$5,000 damages and was given a verdict of \$1, a new trial was granted the plaintiff by Judge Cunningham. The new trial was asked for upon several grounds, chiefly upon the alleged errors of the court, and because it claimed that the verdict was contrary to the law and the evidence, and that it was totally inadequate. In granting the new trial Judge Cunningham had stated that had the verdict been in favor of the defendant he would have overruled the motion; that under the evidence the defendant was entitled to a verdict, but that inasmuch as the jury had found a favor of the plaintiff he was entitled to more than \$1.

In the famous case of John A. Scott vs. the Denver and Rio Grande Railway company, in which the plaintiff was given judgment for \$48,500 for personal injuries, arguments on the motion of the defendant for a new trial were to have been heard, but the matter was continued until today. This case will undoubtedly go to the supreme court whether a new trial is granted or not. It is possible for the court to make a reduction in the verdict, but Attorney McAllister stated that whether there was a reduction made or not there were questions in the case which the defendant had passed upon by the supreme court.

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"BILLY" ARKINS SAYS CRIPPLE CREEK MINES ARE ALL RIGHT

"Billy" Arkins, the well-known mining editor of the Cripple Creek Times, in the city last evening on a business visit. There is probably no man in the entire Cripple Creek district better posted on the mining situation there than Mr. Arkins, inasmuch as he has been getting paid for making a study of it for years.

"From a business standpoint the district is quiet just now and has been for some time past," said Mr. Arkins, "but from a mining standpoint it never looks better. Many people who do not know anything about conditions there seem to think that the district is totally dead but this is not by any means the case. During the past year fully twenty valuable new ore bodies have been opened up. Enough is not said on the outside about those things, and a wrong impression may prevail in some quarters. I don't look for a boom at all but a steady revival is going on and Cripple Creek will finish this year with a statement of progress and success which will be a big surprise."

The next boom which comes in Cripple Creek stocks will be solely upon the merits of the stock itself," continued Mr. Arkins. "I do not predict such a boom but I do say that if one comes the stocks will merit only will figure in it."

Speaking of the water situation, Mr. Arkins says that it is a fact that the water in the mines has receded to a very considerable degree, a fact not generally known. "There are a large number of reasons or rather theories advanced for this," he said. "One of the most reasonable is that it is going into the Arkansas river."

Mr. Arkins is here engaged in gathering material for the New Year edition of his paper which will consist very largely of mining information.

## LEAKY WATER PIPE CAUSES SMALL FLOOD IN BANK BLOCK

A water pipe in the office of City Attorney J. V. Sheafor on the third floor of the bank building sprung a leak at 11 o'clock last night and caused a small-sized flood, which might have done serious damage. The water collected in a large volume and then escaped to the second floor through the office of J. R. Talpey & company, then down to the first floor into the First National bank.

It happened that Herbert Hart, one of the bookkeepers, was in the bank at the time doing some writing and he removed books and papers which might have sustained damage to a place of safety. The agent for the building was notified and came down and turned the water off. The water has made the plastering in the bank rather shaky but it if does not fall the damage will be slight. It was not possible to get into the offices of Talpey & company last night to ascertain how much damage was done there. The damage in Mr. Sheafor's office was slight.

## PEYTON COUPLE MARRIED.

News has been received of the marriage of Goodland, Kansas, December 20, 1902, of Dr. Francis F. Adams and Miss Elizabeth Taylor, both of Peyton, Colorado. This will, no doubt, be a surprise to their friends, although events have been pointing that way for some time.

Dr. Adams is looking for a location for the practice of medicine and hearing that Goodland, Kansas, offered good advantages, he and Miss Taylor decided to investigate. Arriving there in a blizzard and finding they could not get away when they anticipated they had themselves to a minister and the knot was tied. The happy couple returned to Peyton after the abatement of the blizzard, where they will remain for a few weeks until the doctor disposes of his business, when he may locate in Goodland.

## OBJECTS TO PRACTICES OF "MASHERS" ON THE STREETS

"Have the boys of Colorado Springs nothing better to do on Sunday afternoons than stand on the street corners and ogre all the ladies and girls that chance to pass?" asked a lady who was in the postoffice yesterday afternoon. The remark was overheard by a gentleman standing near and he knew the occasion for it for he had stood and watched a crowd of some eight or ten youths, ranging in age from 16 to 20 years, standing at one of the principal business corners of the city and stare at and occasionally remark to the many young ladies that passed that corner.

"Those boys evidently thought they were doing a great mashing act," said the gentleman, in speaking about the matter to a Gazette reporter later in the afternoon. "I suppose they thought they were smart but I know that several crowds of such fellows have been arrested in other cities for much less than these youths did yesterday. Even in Denver, where much liberty is allowed on the streets, masheys and followers, who annoy ladies and girls are severely dealt with by the police and I think it might be a good thing to make an example of a few boys here lest the practice become a public nuisance."

The gentleman became aroused to considerable just indignation, as those who heard him believed, over the acts of the boys referred to and he said that in this city where the climate was such as to bring the ladies out onto the streets and where there are many visitors who enjoy the pleasure of walking in the afternoon, stringent measures should be taken to stop a practice that might become so general as to make it unsafe for girls and ladies to walk on the public streets because of the danger of insults.

## DEINTTEGRATED ROCK TEST APPEARS TO BE SUCCESSFUL

So far the test of disintegrated granite on the streets appears to be very successful. The judgment of the scientific department will be final for 1900 dollars. The faculty will have to be increased about \$100,000 to which to file bill of costs. Clark said for damages, \$100,000, to which he was ejected from a building.

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a thorough one, however, some months other words, about a quarter of a million dollars will have to be secured within the next three years to start the new school upon a sound basis.

"To watch the growth of such a school will be a genuine pleasure. The good it will accomplish during the centuries to come can be measured only by the gratitude of thousands of students who will fit themselves in it, to assist in the solution of the engineering problems connected with the development of this great western country.

"May the future generations of Colorado be able to look back to the philanthropist of the present day and generation with the same pride and admiration as Mary-Land looks to Jim Hawkins, California to Leland Stanford and James Lick; Massachusetts to John Harvard and Jonas Clark."

## LIKES OUTLOOK IN SOUTH PARK FIELDS

J. W. Swett of Pittsburg, Pa., is in Colorado Springs for a short time on business. Mr. Swett has just returned from the South Park district where he has been looking over the oil fields. He is enthusiastic over the outlook there and said:

"I was surprised at the amount of work going on in that district. So far as I have been able to get there has been little or nothing said about this district in the papers and I am surprised at it as there are a number of Colorado Springs people working up there. J. H. Nichols and Dr. W. F. Shaw of this city own the best part of the oil country there and have a good thing. There are three new companies now at work, one being a Chicago concern."

Mr. Swett believes that oil in paying quantities will be found in the South Park district and he will probably interest eastern friends with him in entering the field.

## DR. CAJORI DISCUSSES ENGINEERING SCHOOL

Dr. Florian Cajori, head-professor of engineering in Colorado college, is greatly interested in the proposed extension of the curriculum of the college to include courses in mechanical and irrigation engineering. He has some interesting and profitable views on the subject of the establishment of these schools, some of which he has set forth in an interview with the Gazette:

"There was a time in the history of higher education," said Prof. Cajori, "when very little was done for young women. This condition does not apply to Colorado college. In this institution they enjoy exceptional facilities. The erection of Montgomery hall and Tickle hall, the renting of South hall and East hall, the granting of several important scholarships for girls, the adoption of a conservative and progressive policy in governing their life,

"The next boom which comes in Cripple Creek stocks will be solely upon the merits of the stock itself," continued Mr. Arkins. "I do not predict such a boom but I do say that if one comes the stocks will merit only will figure in it."

Speaking of the water situation, Mr. Arkins says that it is a fact that the water in the mines has receded to a very considerable degree, a fact not generally known. "There are a large number of reasons or rather theories advanced for this," he said. "One of the most reasonable is that it is going into the Arkansas river."

Mr. Arkins is here engaged in gathering material for the New Year edition of his paper which will consist very largely of mining information.

## LEAKY WATER PIPE CAUSES SMALL FLOOD IN BANK BLOCK

A water pipe in the office of City Attorney J. V. Sheafor on the third floor of the bank building sprung a leak at 11 o'clock last night and caused a small-sized flood, which might have done serious damage. The water collected in a large volume and then escaped to the second floor through the office of J. R. Talpey & company, then down to the first floor into the First National bank.

It happened that Herbert Hart, one of the bookkeepers, was in the bank at the time doing some writing and he removed books and papers which might have sustained damage to a place of safety. The agent for the building was notified and came down and turned the water off. The water has made the plastering in the bank rather shaky but it if does not fall the damage will be slight. It was not possible to get into the offices of Talpey & company last night to ascertain how much damage was done there. The damage in Mr. Sheafor's office was slight.

## PEYTON COUPLE MARRIED.

News has been received of the marriage of Goodland, Kansas, December 20, 1902, of Dr. Francis F. Adams and Miss Elizabeth Taylor, both of Peyton, Colorado. This will, no doubt, be a surprise to their friends, although events have been pointing that way for some time.

Dr. Adams is looking for a location for the practice of medicine and hearing that Goodland, Kansas, offered good advantages, he and Miss Taylor decided to investigate. Arriving there in a blizzard and finding they could not get away when they anticipated they had themselves to a minister and the knot was tied. The happy couple returned to Peyton after the abatement of the blizzard, where they will remain for a few weeks until the doctor disposes of his business, when he may locate in Goodland.

## OBJECTS TO PRACTICES OF "MASHERS" ON THE STREETS

"Have the boys of Colorado Springs nothing better to do on Sunday afternoons than stand on the street corners and ogre all the ladies and girls that chance to pass?" asked a lady who was in the postoffice yesterday afternoon. The remark was overheard by a gentleman standing near and he knew the occasion for it for he had stood and watched a crowd of some eight or ten youths, ranging in age from 16 to 20 years, standing at one of the principal business corners of the city and stare at and occasionally remark to the many young ladies that passed that corner.

"Those boys evidently thought they were doing a great mashing act," said the gentleman, in speaking about the matter to a Gazette reporter later in the afternoon. "I suppose they thought they were smart but I know that several crowds of such fellows have been arrested in other cities for much less than these youths did yesterday. Even in Denver, where much liberty is allowed on the streets, masheys and followers, who annoy ladies and girls are severely dealt with by the police and I think it might be a good thing to make an example of a few boys here lest the practice become a public nuisance."

The gentleman became aroused to considerable just indignation, as those who heard him believed, over the acts of the boys referred to and he said that in this city where the climate was such as to bring the ladies out onto the streets and where there are many visitors who enjoy the pleasure of walking in the afternoon, stringent measures should be taken to stop a practice that might become so general as to make it unsafe for girls and ladies to walk on the public streets because of the danger of insults.

## DEINTTEGRATED ROCK TEST APPEARS TO BE SUCCESSFUL

So far the test of disintegrated granite on the streets appears to be very successful. The judgment of the scientific department will be final for 1900 dollars. The faculty will have to be increased about \$100,000 to which to file bill of costs. Clark said for damages, \$100,000, to which he was ejected from a building.

In the case of J. P. Clark vs. the Rapid Transit company the motion of the plaintiff for a new trial was overruled and judgment on the verdict which was in favor of the defendant, was remanded to the court of appeals.

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Bainbridge "King of the Tramps" Blows Into Colorado Springs.

"In the King of the Tramps," declares Oliver Bainbridge, M. A., Oxford, and he says it with an accent that leaves no doubt as to his nationality. But he does not look like a typical Englishman.

He is a bright, young man of 20 years and he talks like the scholar and keen observer of men and leaden.

The all-important problem of irrigation is now for

# NEWS OF EL PASO COUNTY TOWNS

## MONUMENT

Mrs. McDonald of Huntington, Oregon, came Tuesday for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Triggs.

Mr. Wiley moved his family into a part of the Allis house Wednesday. He and his son have been cutting wood on the Chase ranch.

Miss Jessie Stoddard went to Colorado Springs Friday, returning Sunday. Mr. Davis Highby spent Sunday in the Springs.

Mr. Chase and Dr. Wynne returned Thursday from a four weeks' trip through Kansas and Nebraska.

Mr. Jess Kline has leased his Spring valley for a number of years, and is moving to Canon City. Mr. Knowles and family have been residents of the divide for many years, and their friends are sorry that poor health necessitates a change.

Harry and Florence Rupp are home from Denver for their vacation.

James McDowell and bride returned last week from Chicago.

Mrs. Cobb of Victor is visiting relatives and friends in Monument.

Jim Jones has been on the sick list but is reported better.

The W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. Burrow Thursday. Nine members and one visitor were present. The ladies presented Mrs. Barnes with a photograph. And it is a birthday, refreshments were served. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Kerner December 31.

Memorial services will be held at the church next Sunday for Mrs. Peterson and Mrs. Stanley.

Mr. Frank McDowell and Miss Bertha Knowles were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents at Canon City Wednesday, December 17. Both families are well known here, being among the oldest settlers of this part of the county. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. McDowell unite in extending congratulations.

The debate on the college question has been postponed. Instead the W. C. T. U. ladies will give a poverty society New Year's eve. The subject for debate will be "Resolved: That Men Ought to Stay at Home and Take Care of the Babies While Their Women Go to Work." Everybody seems prepared to have a good time.

Miss Beulah Curtis, who is teaching near Calhan, is spending her Christmas vacation at home.

School closed for a two weeks' vacation Friday with an appropriate Christmas entertainment. The program consisted of recitations, dialogues, tableau, etc. Mrs. Nielsen recited a Christmas poem that had been composed by Mr. Nielsen. At the close of the program the teachers treated to candy, popcorn balls and nuts, and the children in turn remembered Mr. Nielsen with a portfolio, and Miss Gwinn received a silver salt and pepper set from the primary pupils.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith of Spring Valley drove to Colorado Springs Thursday.

Rev. F. B. Smith of Colorado Springs conduct services at Husted regularly every other Sunday morning and evening.

Married at the home of the bride's parents near Table Rock on December 18, Mr. Augustus W. Parks of Cripple Creek and Miss Laura L. Roper. The bride was dressed in a beautiful dove-colored gown trimmed in white, lace and white silk. The groom wore the conventional black. Only immediate relatives were present. Rev. Bell performed the ceremony, after which all sat down to a splendid dinner. After all

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## GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS

We enjoyed our share of the prevailing snow storm.

Our people are still alive to the events of the day. While it was snowing, Mr. Brown built a sleigh and the next day Mrs. Brown and her two boys, Hall and Adison, enjoyed a sleigh ride to Manitou and return, and also visited Colorado Springs and helped themselves to the annual supply of Christmas presents which adorn the windows and counters of Colorado Springs.

Miss Hazel Howard, who has been attending school in Denver, is at home to spend the vacation with her mother and sister Maud and Uncle George.

Miss Lillie Strahm, the teacher, has gone to Colorado Springs to spend vacation.

Miss Maud Howard, who is teaching at Cascade, is at home to spend the vacation.

Mr. Taylor went deer hunting the other day and came home with two rabbits. Very good, what there was of it, but not so dear.

Mr. F. E. Dow spent a few hours Saturday in Green Mountain Falls.

Mr. Lang, who has been making his home with Mr. B. C. Jewett, has moved into the country, and is stopping with Henry Brockin on his ranch.

Stock and bonds were issued and divided. Dividends were earned and declared, but the great public of the country at large had no desire to invest its earnings in these transformation slides of the swift running printing press. Financiers found they held more shares than they desired. Owners of properties that had only changed the form of their deeds or rights to prosperity. Then began the fear of making a market value for such securities and of making them negotiable with the banks as collateral for loans. In this feature of the "financing" lies all the danger.

As a matter of fact the normal condition of trade is more than excellent.

Profit is the gratifying result of all well conducted business operations, but singularly enough it does not impress the general community. The small investor believes, and rightly believes, that there are few industries that are not over capitalized, that is to say, there are few industrial corporations which have not cashed in their capitalization, all possible future values. Not desiring to see all futures anticipated they do not crowd the stock market as buyers.

Whatever form misfortune may visit the country, it will issue from "Financing" and "Trade" conditions. Like all balloons there comes a time when hot air must escape.

**Savings Banks' Earnings.**

Is the old-fashioned savings bank, for long years back the most popular depository of the masses of the people and, on the whole one of the safest and most profitable forms of investment, getting now to be a back number?

What with the trust company, the title and guaranty company, the mortgage company, the realty company, annuity companies, and insurance companies and "savings departments" in leading stores can the regular savings banks still keep in the front of the financial procession, or must they perform fail into the rear?

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McIntyre & Marshall—The reaction in prices which set in yesterday on call money advancing to 10 per cent continued in the early session today, the price of the stock rallied on light trading.

The stimulating influence of which was probably the very favorable statement for the month of November, published yesterday and a revival of the rather antiquated rumor that the Pennsylvania railroad will probably absorb this property, but it lacks confirmation.

This last part of the session was devoid of interest except strength displayed after the first hour. Considering the high rate of interest, the two days' market is regarded as encouraging and we look for a higher range of values after the end of the year.

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Then good crops and large earnings are also mentioned as powerful factors in this connection. It is understood that these incentives have impelled the repurchase of many thousand shares of Canadian Pacific by people who were behind the last great upward movement in the stock.

Bullish talk by Morgan followers, together with steady increasing earnings, is also favorable for strong views on the market.

On N. W. which it is predicted will get a very substantial advance during the first quarter of 1903.

It is learned that sales of Gas by the People's Gas company on November were the largest ever known and exceeded the business of the same month last year by more than 33 per cent and December bids fail to be equally as good.

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